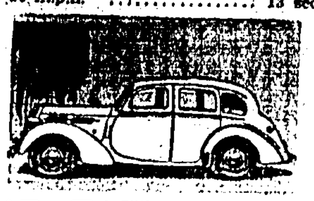
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CHAMBERLAIN MAY ABANDON POLICY OF APPEASEMENT

MUSSOLINI WARNED THAT BRITAIN WILL BACK FRANCE

ROME, JAN. 13.

UNIMPEACHABLE SOURCES STATE THAT BRITAIN TO-DAY TOLD ITALY THAT IN THE EVENT OF FRANCO-ITALIAN TROUBLE, BRITAIN WOULD BE SOLIDLY BEHIND FRANCE.

It is authoritatively stated that Signor Mussolini assured Mr. Chamberlain that he does not envisage hostilities towards France.

However, the much-publicised conference was apparently a failure—it may result in the abandonment by Mr. Chamberlain of his appeasement policy—as a result of Mussolini's Mediterranean demands, and his refusal to withdraw troops from Spain.

The Spanish war seemed to be a point on which Mr. Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini least agreed—Mussolini hoping that Britain would recognise the Insurgents and thus enable them to blockade Loyalist ports, but Mr. Chamberlain repeatedly challenged Il Duce to fulfil his promise of withdrawal.

The Italians are reported to have told the British statesmen that the war is expected to collapse "within a few weeks," after which Italy would withdraw her troops.—*United Press.*

Italian Troops Concentrating

DJIBOUTI, Jan. 13.

ACCORDING TO reports received here, there has been large concentrations of Italian troops at places close to the frontiers of French and British Somaliland.

The places mentioned are Mordale, Jalelo and Sardo, near Hadele Gube.

Many natives of the province of Harar are reported to have been called up and enrolled in the native corps.

It is understood that steps have been taken here in consequence of these reports.—*Reuter.*

INFORMAL TALK AT MEETING TO-NIGHT

ROME, Jan. 13.

AN OFFICIAL joint *communique* on the Rome talks is not now expected until to-morrow morning.

There is no question of a hitch, but a minor detail of phrasing in one passage has to be considered.

Reports that Mr. Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini met again to-day are incorrect.

Il Duce passed the whole day at Rome's winter sport mountain of Terminilio, but the two statesmen will have a further conversation after to-night's dinner at the British Embassy, at which Signor Mussolini and count Ciano will be present.

According to present arrangements, Mr. Chamberlain will not call at Paris en route to London to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

LONDON DISAPPOINTED

London, Jan. 13.

The results of Mr. Chamberlain's Rome talks failed to arouse enthusiasm in city circles. Although fuller information was considered necessary before final assessment, the immediate reaction was disappointment which was reflected in the quiet and general drift down in Stock Exchange prices.

Gilt-edged securities suffered selling by bears who believe the recent upward trend in prices difficult to maintain in the face of absence of concrete evidence of improvement in the European situation.

The decline extended to other sections of the market although the price changes were small without serious selling pressure.—*Reuter.*

LOYALISTS JUBILANT

London, Jan. 13.

The abortive Rome talks, which are generally conceded to have become dead-locked over the Spanish question, has caused jubilation in Spanish Loyalist circles here.

It is felt this will greatly hearten the Barcelona Government's resistance to the Insurgent drive in Catalonia, since it is apparent that the Spanish war, contrasting with the feeling hitherto prevailing among the Loyalists that the British Government's, or at least Mr. Chamberlain's sympathies were with General Franco.

Reliable reports reaching here from Rome state that Mussolini used

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NO WAR FOR NORWAY

OSLO, Jan. 13.

NORWAY'S INTENTION to remain neutral in any international conflict which does not directly concern her was stressed in King Haakon's speech from the throne at the opening of the new session of Parliament.

The King declared that with the co-operation of other northern Governments the Norwegian Government has striven to safeguard the lives and interests of the people against the consequences of such conflicts.—*Reuter.*

Hongkong Banker Is Divorced By Wife

LONDON, Jan. 13.

LADY MINNIE DORIS GRAYBURN, now living at Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, has been granted a decree nisi.

She accused her husband, Sir Vandeleur M. Grayburn, General Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, of desertion.

The suit was not contested.—*Reuter.*

Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, who was created a Knight in the King's Coronation Honours List in 1937 has been twice married.

His first wife was Ruth Danvers Higgs, and the second, from whom he has now been divorced, Minnie Doris Robson.



SIR V. GRAYBURN

84-Passenger Clipper Due Here In Fortnight

ACCORDING TO LATEST information received in Hongkong, the first of the new 42½-ton Boeing Clippers will leave San Francisco for Hongkong on Saturday week, arriving at Kai Tack Airport four days later, on February 1.

The first flight will be purely experimental, and no passengers, mail or freight will be carried.

Immediately after this flight the giant Clipper, which can carry 84 passengers, will be placed in regular service on the 9,000 mile route between the United States and this Colony.

The first regular run is expected to commence on February 18.

With the Boeing airliner in regular service, Pan American Airways will resume regular weekly trans-Pacific flights next month. The loss of the Hawaii Clipper last year necessitated omitting the flight every third week.

LARGEST AIRLINER

The new clipper is the largest airliner ever built for regular commercial air transport service.

Designed to perform in the air as a 42½-ton ocean airliner, the new clipper by displacement is two times as large as the China Clipper and nearly twice the weight of that already famous trans-Pacific flying craft.

This ship, the first of a fleet of six being constructed at a cost of U.S.$4,000,000, is now running her final trial tests from the Port of Trade Winds lagoon at Treasure Island, where Pan American is building the finest marine air terminal ever designed.

A number of the most important world airplane records for speeds with load are expected to fall during these routine tests, which will be concluded with a ten-hour overnight non-stop flight.

So completely streamlined that it belies its size, the Boeing Clipper is a high-wing monoplane of all-metal construction, with wings, sea wings and tail surfaces all internationally braced.

Wings have two main truss-type

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ALCATRAZ GAOL BREAK

Daring Escape By Five Convicts

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.

PROFITING FROM one of the worst fogs in San Francisco Bay for many years, five convicts at Alcatraz prison attempted to escape to-day and to swim to the mainland.

The alarm was raised immediately, and the guards opened fire.

Arthur Barker, who has been serving a life sentence for kidnapping, was critically wounded in the head, and another kidnapper, Dale Stamphill was wounded in the legs.

The other three men were captured, although two had already started to swim to the mainland.

Barker was a member of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang, and was sentenced in connection with the kidnapping of Edward Gremer, wealthy St. Paul banker, in 1934.

Al Capone, the "King" of gangsters, was an inmate at Alcatraz until January 7, when he was transferred to the Federal Institution at San Pedro.—*Reuter.*

CAREFULLY PLANNED

San Francisco, Jan. 13.

The five convicts who attempted to escape from the Alcatraz prison today while San Francisco Bay was enshrouded in heavy fog, managed to obtain a saw with which they cut through their cell bars, according to the Prison Bureau Director, Mr. James W. Bonnett.

He added that there was no evidence that they were aided from

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PREMIER'S VISIT TO POPE

Happy Relations Are Stressed

ROME, Jan. 13.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN on leaving the Vatican after half an hour's audience with the Pope said that His Holiness seemed in fairly good health. He added that he was very pleased with the cordial and affable reception.

The British Ministers also had 20 minutes conversation with Cardinal Pacelli.

Crowds gathered in the courtyard to cheer the departure of Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax.

After the audience, the Pope went for his customary drive in the Vatican gardens.—*Reuter.*

NEWS OF ROYAL FAMILY

Vatican City, Jan. 13.

The "Osservatore Romano" to-day published a statement on the visit of Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax to His Holiness the Pope, and says that the Pope addressed a greeting to the Ministers, and expressed pleasure in their visit.

His Holiness was particularly interested in having news of the British Royal Family, and expressed good wishes for their prosperity, and for that of the great British Empire, in which so many Catholics live.

In the course of conversation, several points regarding the relations between the Holy See and Great Britain came up for discussion, and the good and happy relations at the present existing between Great Britain and the Holy See were noted with satisfaction.—*Reuter.*

TALENTED HONGKONG CHILD TO APPEAR IN LOCAL DISPLAY



MISS PAT PASCOE, talented young Hongkong lass, in the costume in which she will appear in "The Sleeping Beauty," which has been arranged and produced by Mr. George Goncharoff.—*D'Asis.*

Franco Smashes Through to Sea

HENDAYE, JAN. 13.

INSURGENT FORCES ON THE CATALAN FRONT TO-DAY PREPARED TO PUSH TOWARD THE SEA AFTER THE CAPTURE OF FALSET. THE MARCH IS EXPECTED TO BE MADE IN TWO COLUMNS, ONE DIRECTLY TOWARD THE SEA, SOUTH OF TARRAGONA, AND THE OTHER TOWARD REUS.

Reports from Saragossa this morning stated that the Loyalists had lost all their positions in a systematic drive yesterday on all sections of the front.

South-east of Artesa de Segre, the Insurgents took Agramunt and continued southward to Tood. Puivert de Agramunt, and a system of forts which the Loyalists had built there fell into Insurgent hands after several hours of fighting.

4¼ MILE ADVANCE

In the Urgel Canal sector the Insurgents took Breixana, and south of the Canal, making the total advance 4¼ miles.

In the zone north-east of Mont Blanche, the Insurgents successively occupied Guardia Del Prat and Barbara.

Insurgents reported from the southern front that all lines had been held, and several counter-attacks launched in which heavy loss was inflicted on the Loyalists.

LOYALIST CLAIMS

According to Loyalist reports from Estramadura, the advance was continued, the Loyalists taking the entire Sierre Los Santos, south of Pennaroya, and south-west of Belmez, capturing many prisoners and a considerable quantity of materials.

In the Monte Ruble sector, the Insurgents attempted several counter-attacks which were repulsed.

Loyalists admitted that the Insurgents had made advances on the Catalan front in the Agramunt zone and the Monte Blanche sector, and they confirmed that bitter fighting had taken place at Falset, where, it was claimed, Italian divisions lost heavily.

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Mounting Death Toll In Australian Fires

Dry northerly winds, sweeping down from the sun-baked drought areas of New South Wales and Central Australia, have re-kindled the great bush fires in Victoria and South Australia.

Part of the drama of the fight being waged in Victoria against the conflagrations, which are threatening several towns and have already claimed over thirty lives, was brought to Hongkong last night.

During a programme of dance music last night the Australian Broadcasting Commission's short wave station VLR was taken over, together with Australian regional stations, to broadcast information of fire fighters to their anxious relatives throughout the State.

Fire-fighters in certain districts round Melbourne were called out by radio to fight new outbreaks.

Radio appeals were broadcast for volunteers, not only to fight fires, but to organise canteen and food services for the fire-fighters and for refugees from the stricken zones.

ERICA SURROUNDED

A "Reuter" message this morning said that the large township of Erica is now entirely surrounded by flames.

All the populace, with the exception of twenty-five men, women and children who are missing, have been evacuated.

Flames are roaring throughout the State, and Melbourne, a city of a million people, has been obscured in a fog of smoke.

The black pall is overhanging millions of square miles of sea and land.

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Nutrition Committee Announced

EVIDENCE OF GOVERNMENT'S increasing regard for poverty in the Colony is the appointment of a Nutrition Research Committee to inquire into nutrition and the application of dietetics to the social problems.

The personnel of the Committee announced this morning in the Government Gazette is:

The Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services;

His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice;

Professor L. T. Hide;
Dr. K. H. Uttley;
Mr. F. H. Loseby;
Dr. Li Tsoo-yiu;
Professor W. I. Gerrard;
Dr. Foon-yee Catherine Woo;

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War Resumed Near Canton

KWEILIN, Jan. 14.

AFTER A LULL of over ten days, fighting around Tsunghua and Taipingchong, approximately 35 miles northeast of Canton, has become intense again.

A Japanese infantry, cavalry and artillery combined force of 2,000 men has swung into action, attacking the Chinese positions at Takongling and Lotung, points in the neighbourhood at Taipingchong to direct artillery fire.

The Chinese are firmly holding their ground.

Over 100 Japanese troops tried to force a landing at the Old Samshui City on Thursday, but were driven away by Chinese regular troops and self-defence corps. The Japanese lost many men during the two-hour encounter.

Shiukwan on the Canton-Hankow Railway was raided by eight Japanese planes early yesterday morning. Forty-two bombs were dropped over the town aimlessly. About 30 civilians were killed and wounded, 60 houses wrecked and six boats blown to bits.—*Central News.*

Admiral Makes Way For Younger Man

London, Jan. 13.

Admiral the Hon. Sir Matthew Robert Best, K.C.B., C.B., D.S.O., M.V.O., Commander-in-Chief of the America and West Indies station from 1934 to 1937, has retired at his own request in order to facilitate the promotion of younger officers.

Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Henderson has been promoted to Admiral.—*Reuter.*

DRUG TRAFFIC IN THE FAR EAST

Discussion In Parliament

LONDON.

THERE was some discussion in Parliament on December 22 with regard to the drug traffic in the Far East. This matter was raised by Lieut.-Commander Fletcher on the Motion for the Adjournment and the debate was as follows:—

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher: My hon. Friend the Member for Derby (Mr. Noel-Baker) apologised at a late hour last night to the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs for having kept him out of his bed for the third night in succession. I myself apologise to the hon. Gentleman if I have delayed his starting upon a well earned holiday. No doubt many officials of the Foreign Office also are looking forward to their holiday. I mention that because I ask a great many questions on Foreign Office matters, although I never ask one merely for the sake of doing so, and I know that those questions involve a great deal of additional work for a staff which must already be very hard at it, although they now have the benefit of the assistance of an official from the Ministry of Labour to help them with the more responsible work of the office. I should like to make my acknowledgment for my share of the work imposed. I admire the ability with which the hon. Gentleman answers the questions put to him, more especially when he is compelled to evade or suppress the point at issue and thank him for his courtesy and for coming here.

SENSATIONAL FACTS

To-day I want to raise some matters which arise out of the work of the Advisory Committee on Drugs at Geneva, matters which, the Advisory Committee says in its report,

"give cause to the entire world for serious apprehension."

If I have to refer to somewhat sensational matters it is not in the least because I wish to make a sensational affair out of these matters—indeed, I shall only refer to official reports—but the facts are so sensational that it is not possible to avoid dealing with them in that manner.

The position arises out of the fact that the Treaty of Versailles places the general supervision of the drug traffic in the hands of the League of Nations. Arising out of that responsibility, there was a plan devised by the Bangkok Conference in 1931 which by 1937 had been ratified by 61 countries, including Japan. This plan was that a Central Supervisory Body was set up, which has a British chairman, to which countries submit estimates of the medical and scientific but not of Government-al requirements of drugs. The subsequent manufacture of drugs is, I presume, supposed to be roughly in accordance with those requirements. It is a plan which has many imperfections, but it does mark a great advance, and, if administered honestly and with good will, it would be very effective. That good will has been shown to be generally forthcomnig from the nations of the world, but year after year statements at Geneva show that the Japanese Government have not shown good will in this matter.

CAUSE OF ANXIETY

The British delegate at Geneva has said that

"information at the disposal of his Government tended to confirm the view of the United States delegate that the situation was such as to cause grave anxiety to the rest of the world. The situation had grown worse and the Committee could only ask the Japanese Government to do all in their power to suppress the horrible traffic in drugs"

which, the British delegate said, "was so alarming as to constitute a menace to the rest of the world."

The Indian delegate—and India has a great interest in this matter—referring to Japan, said:

"year after year the indictment had been drawn up in ever increasing detail; year after year the policy of the responsible Government"—

that is, Japan—

"had been declared to be one of co-operation. The only change in the actual situation appeared to be one for the worse."

The Chinese delegate—and China is a member of the League of Nations, and we, as a fellow-member, are pledged to assist her in all proper matters—spoke about

"the poisoning of the Chinese population in all the parts of China to which Japanese influence penetrates."

He went on:

"we can fairly say that Japan is combining with her military invasion of China an invasion by drugs which is just as deadly"

and again

"in Chinese territory subject to Japanese influence the production and consumption of drugs are not merely tolerated but encouraged by the Japanese military authorities. In Nanking, where the Chinese Government had succeeded in abolishing opium, drugs have been openly sold since the Japanese occupation. The Japanese concessions in China constitute centres of illicit traffic. Manchuria and Jehol have been transformed into a regular narcotics arsenal. Japanese consulates have acted as distribution centres for drugs. Japanese lorries transport drugs all over China."

SINISTER WORK

And in connection with that sinister work of the Japanese Army the American delegate referred to

"huge quantities of opium, reliably reported to have arrived in Shanghai, consigned to the Japanese Army."

The Japanese delegate, very naturally, was compelled to make some reply to these statements at Geneva, but it is fair to say that his reply was laughed aside by the other delegates. The only good point in it is that he did admit his Government's obligations in this matter. The reply, however, was considered "inadquate," and the other delegates, including the British delegate, passed a resolution reiterating that the situation in China was deteriorating under Japanese influence and which called upon the Governments concerned to take vigorous action to remedy the situation in the Far East.

EVIL INFLUENCE

We are one of the Governments concerned, and I ask the hon. Gentleman, what is the vigorous action which we are taking in accordance with that resolution? The Foreign Office, I know, admits the gravity of the situation. We have had replies to questions on the subject which show that the Foreign Office has the matter under close consideration and that it was willing to take any steps to check the traffic in co-operation with any Government. Year after year the experts at Geneva, including Great Britain's experts, issue warnings of this world evil being fostered by Japanese influence. The Japanese Government are charged with fostering traffic in morphine, heroin and opium not merely for consumption in China, but for export all over the world, including the Dominion of Canada. The Canadian delegate spoke of the flood of drugs from the Far East and said that Canada was suffering the consequences,

"they had for some years been heavy sufferers from the narcotic situation in the Far East."

SITUATION IN HONGKONG

Consider the situation in Hongkong. The local government there cannot cope with the traffic. There are between 2,000 and 3,000 opium and heroin dens in Hongkong, upwards of 300,000 opium or heroin pills are consumed daily, and there are 40,000 opium addicts there. That is the situation in Hongkong. The Japanese Government have also failed to penalise the Japanese smuggling of cocaine into India, a matter of most urgent importance to us.

All this is no new story. It has been brought out repeatedly at Geneva by the head of the Narcotics Bureau, Sir Thomas Russell, an official whose work and services in this matter, I feel, have never received the full recognition that is due to them although I know that a somewhat belated honour has recently been awarded him. He is a man who has done wonderful work. I have seen him described as that rare being—a man who is the master as well as the servant of his office. He has fought his campaign with the gay ruthlessness which wins a forlorn hope. He certainly has powers of narrative which bring his work home to the mind. Sir Thomas Russell said as long ago as 1936:—

"The fact is now beyond dispute that the world source of illicit white drugs is in areas under direct or indirect Japanese control. After many years of hard work the League of Nations has closed down all the European sources of illicit drugs only to be threatened by mass heroin export from the Far East."

As the leaks are stopped up and dammed in the West, so the traffickers move out to the East.

In 1937 he said:

"The world supply of heroin today is coming, through the Suez Canal, from the Far East. The extent of heroin manufactured in Manchuria can only be described as staggering."

In 1936, after that passage to which I have referred, Sir Thomas went on to speak of the good work of the League being undone and the world repoisoned

"for the monetary profit of a mob of rascals living under the protection of the political chaos of the Far East."

WORK UNDONE

That mob of rascals of whom Sir Thomas Russell referred enjoys the active support of the Japanese Government, a Government of poisoners. That is the simple position. The good work that the League has done is being undone by one nation, and that nation is Japan, which is charged with fostering illicit drug traffic throughout the world, and with using drugs as an instrument of policy to promote the degradation of the Chinese. If those charges, which have been repeatedly made, are true, and so far they have gone uncontradicted, I would ask, How far we can call Japan a civilised nation? I have never greatly admired the British slogan that trade follows the flag, but I prefer it to that of the Japanese that drugs follow the flag.

The Japanese reap a two-fold benefit from this drug traffic. The revenue they draw from the drugs helps them to defray the cost of their aggression upon China, and the use of the drugs demoralises the Chinese upon whom they force them. Pestilence and war are historically associated, but it has been left to the Japanese to find a way of making pestilence pay for war. If Gilbert were writing the "Mikado" to-day, he would have to make the Wandering Minstrel sing:

"Whate'er our country's banner may be planted,
All decency and honour are defied."

Drug-taking was once common in Japan, but it was suppressed by rigorous laws. Japan knows what is good for herself. All the more shame that she fosters this drug traffic in China. It is interesting to note that almost the only restriction that is imposed on the drug racketeers by the Japanese Government is that they must not sell to the Japanese fighting forces. While that restriction is imposed they are deliberately promoting the degradation of the Chinese by forcing upon them more powerful drugs than opium, and using those drugs as an instrument of policy to undermine Chinese manpower, and sharing in the profits of the trade. It is a ghastly crime against international decency to drench another nation with drugs in this fashion.

DRUG MARKET

In the 1937 invasion every town taken by the Japanese immediately became an open market for drugs. Drug shops, dens and pedlars all arrived with the Japanese Army. Every means is being taken to promote drug taking in China. The poor can get drugs on credit. Drug salons are everywhere. The Central Japanese Opium Companies have opened chain agencies throughout the country. Japanese newspapers advertise drugged pills as longevity pills. Japanese police are seen on duty regulating the queues outside the drug saloons. Cigarettes are made up with heroin in them, without the fact being stated, in order to create the habit. Medicine containing these harmful drugs is sold at village fairs as a cure for tuberculosis. Touts, cabarets, bro'hels, women pedlars, are all employed to foster the traffic. You can have your drug supplied along with your milk and your newspapers. Opium and other narcotics are forced upon non-addicts. Chinese workers have even been forced to receive part of their wages in drugs. This business is in the hands of Japanese and Korean rings working in close touch with the Japanese Government and making huge profits. Heroin costing £5 per lb. to manufacture may be sold at anything up to £1,500 per lb., the profits are very great indeed. In Manchuria and Jehol the annexation was immediately followed by the establishment of an opium monopoly. Laws were enacted to secure to the Government a monopoly of the profits from drugs. I have spoken of profits. Sir Thomas Russell has stated that in 181 cities in Manchuria and Jehol there are 3,840 licensed opium dens and 8,400 heroin dens, and each one of them pays £15 a month for a licence, which gives an annual revenue of nearly £2,500,000 —to the Government from that source alone. Mr. Fuller, the United States delegate, speaking of conditions, said:

"The province of Hopei has become the seat of the world's most extensive manufacture of heroin. The conditions in Pekin, Tientsin and Eastern Hopei are beyond description. The traffic is engineered and controlled by Japanese and Koreans. In 1935 in Manchuria nearly 0,000 died of addiction."

TIENTSIN CENTRE

"The Japanese Concession in Tientsin is now known as the nerve centre of heroin manufacture of the world. The dens number well over 1,000. Not less than 20 heroin factories are scattered over the concession, which is about four miles square. New factories are starting daily. The factories are working perfectly openly. It is from here that not only the Chinese but all other countries of the world are being debauched. The Japanese Government is at present controlled by the Army clique, and it is the Army which has fostered this deliberate demoralisation. The Japanese policy shows that, given a sufficiently base motive, the government of a great Power can lend itself in cold blood to the poisoning of the people it rules."

As regards poisoning it is a shocking commentary that the Japanese authorities have stopped anti-narcotic hospital work. Sir Thomas Russell, speaking of Tientsin, which has two trusts exporting heroin and where the world traffickers meet publicly to buy and ship their cargoes, quotes an eyewitness, who says:

"Words fail when I attempt to describe the revolting and terrible conditions. The dens are dark, the scenes ghastly, children of two and three years old already drug addicts, with swollen heads. The injections are done with dirty syringes, the needles are never disinfected or changed, syphilis is freely spread from one addict to another. I have seen addicts with their chests a mass of gangrenous flesh, and it is into these putrefying, barely living bodies that the needles of dope are alternately pushed."

It is out of these conditions that the Japanese Government raise revenue.

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Believed to be the only woman glass graduator and blower in England, Miss Elsie Edith Mortimer is the proprietor of a glass engraving business in Carthusian-street, Aldersgate, E.C. She has been in the business for 22 years. She conducted her own case successfully at Clerkenwell Court recently and, when she described herself as a practical woman, Mr. Registrar Friend said, "You had better be careful or you will wake up and find yourself famous on the films or wireless."

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DRUG TRAFFIC IN FAR EAST

(Continued from Page 2.)

The matter has been taken up in the columns of the "Times," which said that the action of the Japanese Government

"paralysed the efforts of the Chinese Government in repressing the illicit traffic and rendered inoperative in advance any effort made by the League of Nations."

I quote two more most significant passages from the "Times," which we would do well to bear in mind:

"When the Northern Chinese have been demoralised and impoverished the manufacturers of heroin will no doubt send consignments to poison richer peoples in other countries,"

and

"the danger to other countries if this vast production of narcotics is allowed to continue unchecked need hardly be emphasised."

As a commentary on this the "Times" might well have quoted a statement by the Japanese delegate to Geneva, who said:

"We are a nation of Samurai. With us honour is more important than anything else."

FOUL CAMPAIGN

Well I do not know the language, but I imagine that "Samurai" is Japanese for dope peddlers. The civilised nations of the world are trying to stamp out this illicit traffic in drugs, with all the horror and degradation that that traffic spells. One nation, and one nation alone, in the world, labours to extend the traffic, and that nation is Japan, a nation which boasts of a ruler descended from the gods, and pursuing the foulest campaign imaginable.

I appeal to the Under-Secretary to give this matter his personal attention. He has had Ministerial connection with India, his Noble Friend has been an Illustrious Viceroy of India; they are, therefore, in a position to appreciate the dangers of the consequences of Japanese policy. The spread of white drugs in India would be terrible to contemplate. The half-starved, over-worked millions there, suffering from debilitating tropical diseases, are very prone to the temptation of a little ease from their miseries. This problem is a serious one in relation to India. I ask for an answer from the Minister which will condemn in no uncertain terms the policy of fostering the drug traffic and express determination to prevent the spread of the evil to British spheres of influence; and I hope that our Ambassador at Tokyo may be instructed to explain to the Japanese Government the disastrous effects upon British public opinion in relation to Anglo-Japanese relations of the matters to which I have called attention to-day.

MR. BUTLER REPLIES

The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (Mr. Butler): I feel sure that the House will have been impressed by the sincerity of the hon. and gallant Member for Nuneaton (Lieut.-Commander Fletcher) in bringing this subject before the House this afternoon. His Majesty's Government view with grave concern the drug situation such as it was described by the Opium Advisory Committee last June and reviewed by the League of Nations this autumn. I will give to the House the information that we have derived from various parts of the Far East. I think that this will indicate the extent of the growth of the drug traffic in the Far East, and I hope that it will give an indication of the extent to which we think responsibility should be attached to any particular quarter. One very serious feature of the growth of the traffic has been referred to by the hon. and gallant Member, and that is the growth in the use of heroin. The use of opium in itself is a terrible and gripping vice, but heroin is something far more serious. I expect the House will remember the manner in which De Quincey contrasts the difference between the use of alcohol and the use of opium. He says:

"The pleasure given by wine is always rapidly mounting and tending to a crisis, after which as rapidly it declines. That from opium, when once generated, is stationary for eight or ten hours. The one is a flickering flame, the other a steady and equable glow."

TERRIBLE EFFECT

We must remember the difficulty which De Quincey had in escaping from this terrible vice, and therefore we may take it that he did not exaggerate his feeling of the glow which he derived from it on occasions. When we consider heroin and the terrible effect it has on its victims—how they tremble and shake—and the deplorable condition which is immediately produced by this drug and which breaks down all the barriers of morality and leads to the most terrible acts; when we realise from our information that this heroin is getting a greater hold upon the youth in the Far East—youths even of the age of 12—we can understand the grave extent of the problem which faces us.

Before I indicate the information that we have on the subject in relation to the Far East, I would like to describe the action that was taken at the League of Nations this autumn. I would like here to pay a tribute to my hon. Friend the Member for Wallsend (Miss Ward) who represented this country on the committee which considered the traffic in opium and other dangerous drugs. I should also like to reinforce the tribute paid by the hon. and gallant Member to Sir Thomas Russell for the work he has done in this connection. Hon. Members will have seen from the White Paper which was presented to the House on 19th December (Command Paper 5899), that the hon. Member for Wallsend said at the League that there was much ground for satisfaction in the steady progress of the League's work for the control of the opium traffic, and that this work had been of a pioneering character. She drew attention to the fact that the number of annual reports from Governments had increased very considerably and went on to support the final resolution which was passed and which has been sent to various Governments including His Majesty's Government.

APPEAL TO JAPAN

The committee was asked to address an urgent appeal to the Japanese Government and proposed a resolution stating that the Accembly had taken note of the report of the Seventh Committee relating to the illicit traffic in the Far East, particularly in the areas of China under the control of the Japanese forces, and noting that the situation had grown worse during the past year; that the Assembly associated itself with the resolution adopted by the Advisory Committee at its twenty-second and twenty-third sessions, and with the appeals made therein to the Governments concerned. That resolution was sent from the League in the autumn of this year to various Governments, and it has been received by His Majesty's Government. The matter is having our immediate attention. I go further than the word "consideration" which the hon. and gallant Gentleman used and say that it is having our immediate attention. We are in communication with the other Governments and not only those Governments which are members of the League and I can assure the hon. and gallant Member that the matter will not only have my personal attention but the close personal attention of my Noble Friend, both for the reasons to which he referred, and also because of the gravity of the issue itself.

So much for the action taken at Geneva and the immediate attention which is being given to the problem by His Majesty's Government. I am able to tell the House that a further step is being taken. There was signed in 1936 an Anglo-Japanese Drug Traffic Agreement. It was not possible to take definite action on that Agreement until the autumn of this year when we arranged for closer co-operation between His Majesty's diplomatic and consular officers and similar representatives of the Japanese Government. Our officers have been instructed to co-operate with the appropriate Japanese authorities by mutually communicating information regarding the proceedings and movements of persons known to be engaged in the illicit drug traffic. This new co-operation has just been put in motion, and although it may not amount to an immediate solution of this grave problem, it does at least mean that we are in closer touch with the representatives of Japan, and that we shall thus be able to make clear the gravity which we attach to the matter. I trust that any information which may emerge from these contacts will help us to arrive more quickly at some satisfactory decision.

REVIEW OF POSITION

Let me give a short review of the position to which I referred in my opening remarks. From the information in the possession of my Noble Friend there is no evidence that the increased drug traffic in China is the outcome of any deliberate plan on the part of the Japanese Government, or that it is aimed at the systematic demoralisation of the Chinese people. I think the diagnosis which most correctly fits this extremely serious position is somewhat as follows. The reports which we have received from North China seem to confirm the statements made at the meeting of the Opium Advisory Committee last June. In North China, before the Japanese occupation in 1937, an attempt was being made by the Chinese Central Government to enforce the drastic opium and narcotic laws which had been promulgated by them in 1935. There were indications that they were to some extent being successful. They had reached a position in which an attempt was being made to carry out stiff enactments against these drugs.

Since the Japanese occupation of this region these deterrents, whether they were in the form of legislation or ordinances, or whatever you like to call them, have to a large extent disappeared, so that the position seems to us to have become worse. That, I think, is a correct diagnosis which explains the trouble which we are going through at the present time. To take an example, in February, 1938, Government ordinances were repealed by the Peking Provisional Government and in May it was announced that the Peking Consolidated Tax Administration had decided to allow the openng of 300 opium dens. That is an example of the extent of the growth of the traffic. On the other hand, certain ordinances have been issued by the Provisional Government for the control of the traffic, the effect of which it is not yet possible to estimate, but I can assure the hon. and gallant Member that we shall watch the effects of the new ordinances of the Provisional Government. I am bound to give the House the information in my possession, and it appears to us that since the formal repeal of the Chinese Government's ordinances opium pipes and smoking accessories appear to be offered for sale openly at stalls and markets in the Chinese city of Peking. Innumerable drug shops were opened until at the present time there is scarcely a street without one or more shops where drugs may be obtained and even indulged in as well.

MANCHURIA'S POSITION

As regards Manchuria, my Noble Friend has no definite information other than the published budget figures for 1938 which indicate that the amount of opium handled by the monopoly has increased. It is recently reported that new ordinances aimed at the control of the narcotic trade have been issued, but it is as yet too early to state how they will operate. A report on the drug situation in Manchuria has been called for from His Majesty's representatives, as I think I informed the House in answer to one of the many questions to which the hon. and gallant Member referred. The position in Central China does not appear so serious. Ordinances have recently been promulgated by the Nanking Provincial Government aiming at the control of the drug traffic, but again I am not able to give the House any definite information as to their likely result. Taken together with the information which I gave the House about heroin, I think hon. Members will see that there has been a definite increase in various parts of the Far East, that there have been some ordinances passed but at the repeal of the previous ordinances of the Chinese Government has resulted, in our view, in an increase in the traffic. The actual increase in the traffic in heroin chiefly emanates from the City of Tientsin. Trade in this drug is largely confined to Korean pedlars who have followed in the wake of the Japanese armies, but my Noble Friend has no information as to the attitude of the Japanese military authorities to this trade. In other towns in North China it appears that there has also been an increase in this traffic, but, as I said, the main source of the drug is Tientsin.

BRITISH ATTITUDE

So much for the general review of conditions in the Far East in relation to the drug traffic. The hon. and gallant Member will appreciate that I have given him the facts far as we have them in answer to the rather lurid and terrible picture which he was obliged to paint. He asked me whether the British Ambassador would make a protest to the Japanese authorities. I trust he will have observed the reference in the course of my remarks to our attitude in this matter. We have preferred the international approach, the method of collective action. We believe that in this matter of the drug traffic there is a real opportunity for the League of Nations, and we do not intend that that opportunity shall be lost. We intend to continue our close examination of the matter, and wherever possible, in company with other Governments, to use the international method, and, we hope, to solve this terrible problem. When we discuss this subject, and when we realise the terrible toll which this drug takes on so many people in the Far East, let us remember the difficulties of a man who did escape from the power of opium, De Quincey himself, who said:

"I did accomplish my escape. I triumphed. But infer not, reader, from this word 'triumphed' a condition of joy or exultation. Think of me as one, even when four months had passed, still agitated, writhing, throbbing, palpitating, shattered; and much perhaps in the situation of him who has been racked."

Many of these victims have been on the rack, and the Governments of the world feel shattered themselves by the immensity of the problem. It is our wish now to escape.

THE KING TO LAUNCH BATTLESHIP

The King, who will be accompanied by the Queen, is to launch the new battleship, King George V., on Tyneside on February 21 next.

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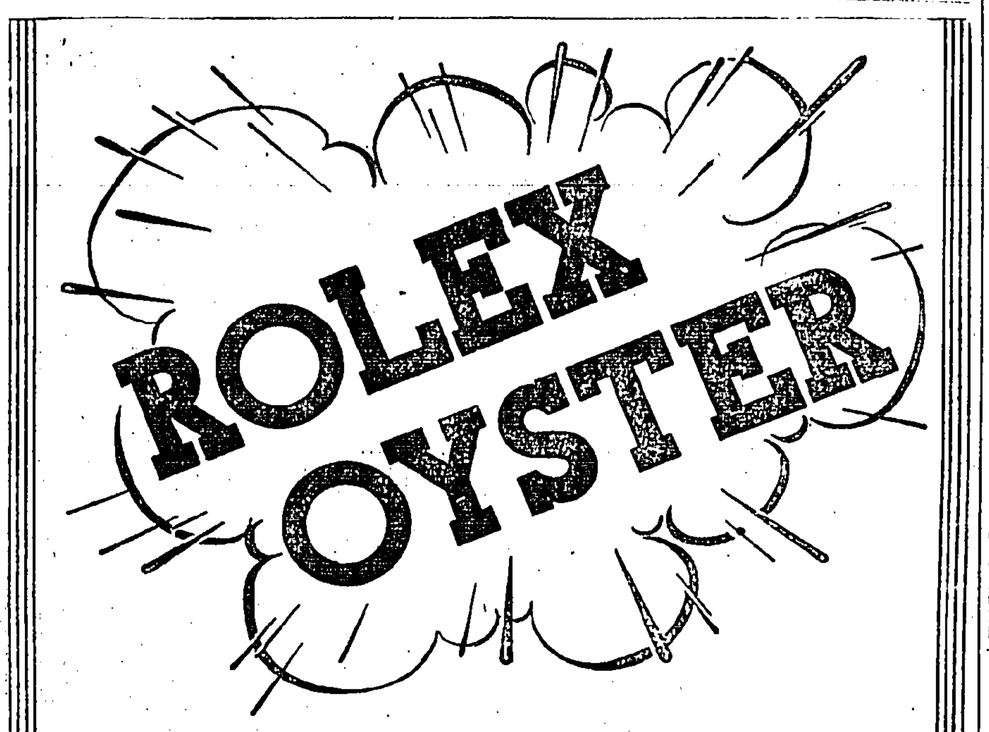
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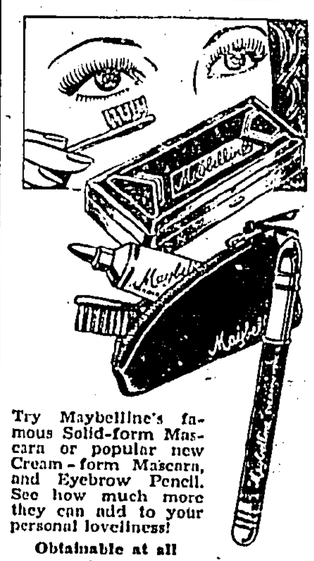
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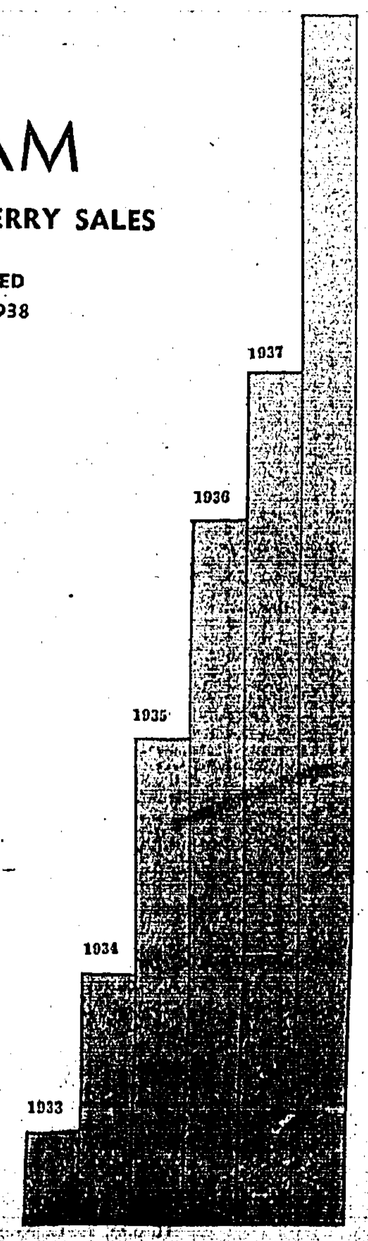
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METHODIST CHURCH

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Services on Sunday, January 15, Preachers: Morning, Rev. W. G. B. Ream, M.A.; Evening, Rev. E. Moreton.

Morning Parade Service at the English Methodist Church at 10.15 a.m. Hymn 7, 75, 301, 72, 377.

Evening Service at the English Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Hymn 91, 934, 101, 236.

Notices for The Week

1. Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians are warmly welcomed.

2. The Badmington Club will meet at the S. & S. Home on Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

3. The L.C.A. will meet at the S. & S. Home on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

4. Also on Tuesday the weekly meeting for Prayer and Fellowship will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.30 p.m.

5. A Jumble Sale will be held in the Assembly Hall of the S. & S. Home on Wednesday, January 18, at 2.30 p.m. Hennesy Road, Wanchai.

6. The House Committee will meet at the S. & S. Home on Wednesday 8.30 p.m.

UNION CHURCH

Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow To Preach To-morrow

RELIGIOUS FELLOWSHIP

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher at both services: Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

The Helena May Relgious Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m. A cordial invitation to attend these meetings is extended to all. The subject of next week's lecture is, "John Knox and the Scottish Reformation."

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong

SUBJECT—LIFE

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches, tomorrow, January 15, will be "Life".

The Golden Text will be: "In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death." (Proverbs 12:28).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works. The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.' (Psalms 145: 9, 15, 16. Romans 8: 38, 39).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"All the varied expressions of God reflect health, holiness, immortality—infinite Life, Truth, and Love. When the evidence before the material senses yielded to spiritual sense, the apostle declared that nothing could alienate him from God, from the sweet sense and presence of Life and Truth. It is ignorance and false belief, based on a material sense of things, which hide spiritual beauty and goodness. This is the doctrine of Christian Science: that divine Love cannot be deprived of its manifestation, or object; that joy cannot be turned into sorrow, for sorrow is not the master of joy; that good can never produce evil; that matter can never produce mind nor life result in death." (Pages 518, 303, 304.)

Announcement

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong, (a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass.) No. 31 Macdonnell Road, close to Peak Tram Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. The Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church Building and is open on Monday to Friday inclusive from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. All authorised Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

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FRANCO SMASHES THROUGH TO SEA

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Several important heights in the Agramunt zone were recaptured in counter-attacks, according to Loyalist advices, and numerous prisoners were taken.—*United Press.*

FRANCO REACHES SEA

BURGOS, Jan. 13.

The Insurgents have captured Tortosa at the mouth of the Ebro river after intensive fighting.

Divisions of the Moroccan Army Corps, under the command of General Yague, overran the pocket between the Ebro and the coast, and cavalry played an important part in the enveloping movement.

Later troops reached the town of Perello, 10 miles north of Tortosa on the Valencia-Barcelona road.

The Insurgents now command all the three main roads converging on Tarragona.

A rapid advance continues in all sectors, according to reports from the front.

In the north of Urgel, an army corps, under General Munez Grando, are advancing north-east along the Urgel road, and have captured Pena Mandel.

The Maestrazgo divisions, under General Garcia Valino have occupied Monfal, bringing them to within eight miles of Cervera.

Navarrese divisions under General Solchaga, operating from Mont Blanche, are advancing along the main road. They have taken Llwia and Mount Coguila, bringing them to within four miles of Valls, with its important industries and aerodrome. —*Reuter.*

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CHAMBERLAIN MAY ABANDON POLICY OF APPEASEMENT

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utmost subtlety to induce Mr. Chamberlain to grant belligerent rights to General Franco on the grounds that it would bring a speedy end to the war, and would aid in a better understanding concerning the Mediterranean.

It is also reported that Il Duce informed Mr. Chamberlain that a Franco victory was in sight, and that too much Italian blood and treasure had been spent in the civil war to allow a withdrawal now even in the cause of appeasement.

Reports added that Mussolini was disheartened by Mr. Chamberlain's quiet, but definite refusal to grant belligerent rights to Franco. As far as Britain was concerned, the talks after this turned merely on generalities.

Regarding Franco-Italian tension, reports from Rome suggest that Mussolini probably sought, in conjunction with Germany, to place the blame for the present uncertainty in Europe on France, and thus to drive a wedge between France and Britain which would lead to their isolation.

Here again, according to reports, Il Duce met with frigidity by Mr. Chamberlain, who pointed out that he was very sympathetic towards France's attitude, and suggested that Il Duce curb the Italian press, and also, in the future, to try to create a friendly Franco-Italian atmosphere, thus making possible negotiations with France regarding Italy's claims, instead of beating the big drum.

In connection with the report that Il Duce is favourably disposed toward British superiority in battleships, but that Germany and Italy should enjoy a superiority in cruisers, submarines, and aeroplanes, some reliable diplomatic sources here express the opinion that this is undoubtedly the first overt move regarding the campaign Germany and Italy have in mind to launch against Britain and France during the present year, with the object of restraining them from repairing deficiencies in their armament of all categories.—*United Press.*

'Mind Own Business' Reich Note To U.S.

Berlin, Jan. 13.

The recent exchange of notes between the United States and Germany regarding the treatment of American citizens in Germany in connection with the anti-Jewish laws reveals that Germany denies the right of interference in internal affairs of the Reich.

Germany points out that in no case has discriminatory treatment resulted from the foreign nationality of the person concerned, Beyond this the German Government wherever possible granted, out of special consideration to foreign subjects, more favourable treatment than to its own subjects.

The German Foreign Office has repeatedly explained to the United States Embassy that the German Government would respect the rights due to American citizens on the ground of inter-State agreements.

Until now no such case has been reported by the American Embassy to the German Foreign Office in which such rights arising from these treaties have been violated according to American opinion.—*Reuter.*

ALCATRAZ GAOL BREAK

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outside, as no boats were found in the vicinity.

On the other hand Warden James Johnson said he was mystified as to how they escaped, observing: "I don't know yet how they got out. The guards found them somewhere scattered out, crawling and running down to the water, and evidently they intended to swim the bay.

Investigation indicated that the breakaway was carefully planned, in view of the fact that it was attempted in dripping fog which has covered the San Francsco area for several months.

As soon as the escape was known, a search was immediately organised, and some time later Warden Johnson announced that the men had been captured. He said: "The prisoners emerged from the cell building, and attempted to get down to the water, but were defeated in this purpose by the guards. However, so desperately did the convicts try to reach the water, that two were shot before they were stopped, and the others surrendered.—*United Press.*

Canada To Prevent Arms Racketeering

Ottawa, Jan. 13.

A recommendation that the purchase of munitions and armaments be taken from the hands of the Department for National Defence, and entrusted to a group of experts and competent businessmen, is contained in the report of Mr. Justice Davis, who investigated the granting of a contract to a Toronto firm to supply 7,000 Bren guns to the Canadian Government, and 5,000 to the British Government.

The report found no evidence that any member of the Canadian Parliament was admitted to share in the contract or the benefits arising therefrom.—*Reuter.*

VALUATION FOR RATES

A valuation of the tenements in Hongkong, Aplichau, Kowloon and New Kowloon for the year commencing July 1, 1939, shall be made before April 30, 1939, or as soon thereafter as may be.



MISS YVONNE SHENTON (right) whose engagement to Mr. Cecil Barclay, stepson of Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the British Government, has been announced. Miss Shenton is the only daughter of Sir William and Lady Shenton, who retired from Hongkong a few years ago. Sir William Shenton was member of the Executive and Legislative Councils and head of the law firm of Deacons.

Reich Threats To Holland

Official Circles Not Disturbed

LONDON, Jan. 13.

THE GERMAN anti-Netherlands campaign is not disturbing official circles in London, says *Reuter's* diplomatic correspondent.

Rumours of Hitler's "next attack" are widely spread, and Rumania, Ukraine, Poland, Memel, Danzig, Holland, and Belgium are alternatively mentioned as his "next victim."

The British view, according to well-informed opinion, is to avoid increasing the nervous tension by according official cognisance to each and every scare.

The policy which has the result of keeping all Europe on tenterhooks is deplored, whether the outcome be secretly prepared military action in one direction, or over economic pressure in another.

Britain's position with regard to the Netherlands is not defined by formal treaties as in the case of Belgium, on the other hand, historic ties between Britain and Holland, in conjunction with the latter's geographical position, brings the interests of the two countries close together.

There is no official confirmation of the reported intense German economic pressure on the Netherlands, and it is thought unlikely that military action would be risked on this front. —*Reuter.*

84-PASSENGER CLIPPER DUE HERE IN FORTNIGHT

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spars and have a stressed skin covering consisting of aluminum alloy corrugations on the inside and smooth Alclad aluminum alloy sheets on the outside.

Fuel tanks are built integrally in the hydro-stabilizers, or sea-wing, the outside skin of the hydro-stabilizers serving also as the outside wall of the fuel tanks. The plane is constructed chiefly of aluminum alloy, with the exception of highly stressed parts near the centre of the ship, which are largely of steel.

Because of its enormous size, the new clipper was constructed by methods approaching ship-building technique.

The hull was assembled inside the Boeing assembly building in a giant jig much like a ship-building cradle, encircled by a maze of scaffolding and walk-aways allowing workmen to work at five different levels simultaneously. Wings were assembled in a separate building.

The first of this new fleet of giant clippers was 18 months in construction at the Boeing Aircraft Company in Seattle. It was first launched on Puget Sound early last summer and since that time has been undergoing a series of the most rigorous and comprehensive flight tests to which a new type of airplane has ever been subjected. The results of these tests far surpassed expectations and the stamp of approval has been affixed by the Boeing Aircraft Co., the United States government, and Pan American Airways.

MOUNTING DEATH TELL IN AUSTRALIAN FIRES

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disrupting railway and shipping services, and grounding planes.

RECORD TEMPERATURES

"United Press" reports that an all-time record temperature of 114.1 degrees in the shade was recorded in Melbourne yesterday. There have been eight deaths from prostration.

The death roll in the bush fires now exceeds 40, and over fifty people who are missing are believed to have been caught by the flames.

South Australia is also in the grip of the flames. Damage to property in this state already exceeds £1,000,000, and several small towns in the timber belt have been completely wiped out.

NUTRITION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

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Dr. P. B. Wilkinson;
Dr. Agnes L. J. Dovey.

GOVERNOR'S COMMENT

The words of H.E. the Governor on the subject of nutrition spoken on the occasion of the budget debate on October 13 last year, are worth repeating.

H.E. said:"The two principal causes of human ill-being, malnutrition and slum housing conditions, dominate, I regret to say, the lives of a very large majority of Hongkong's population. My predecessors set on foot two lines of inquiry which aimed at combatting these two enemies of human health.

"The Nutrition Research Committee appointed by Government in 1937 has presented an interim report. The committee's main function was to foster research into local nutritional problems, and through its own efforts as well as through existing social welfare organizations to make available to the people of Hongkong the advantages of the modern knowledge of nutrition.

NUTRITIONAL DISORDERS

The Committee sponsored investigation into nutritional disorders of women at the Tsan Yuk Hospital and similar problems complicating the convalescence of cholera patients. It also carried out an import inquiry into the vitamin treatment of certain types of malnutrition and recorded assistance to the Committee on the Overcrowding of Prisons by evaluating various official prison diets and by making recommendations thereanent. Public interest was invited to the subject of dietetics, and a series of talks on feeding of infants, children and mothers was broadcast.

The Committee made two recommendations in its interim report, (1), the creation of a whole time Nutritional Research studentship, and (2); the enlargement of the Committee with a view to increased activities on its part. The former of these, although it has my full approval in principle, has not been carried into effect in the draft estimates as I am advised that it is doubtful whether a suitable officer will be available in the near future: the latter has been carried out and the reinforced committee is continuing its functions.

Franco Stops Air Service to Lisbon

London, Jan. 13.

General Franco's refusal to permit British planes to fly over territory under his control is necessitating the postponement of plans for a new London-Lisbon air service.

It is understood that the question of a link between London and Lisbon is now being considered by the department of civil aviation in the Air Ministry, which has before it, several alternatives, one of which is to cover the journey by flyingboat instead of by aeroplane.

It is authoritatively stated that General Franco's attitude in no way affects the arrangements for a British service across the Atlantic from Bathurst to Brazil for which the London-Lisbon service was to have been the first link.

It is understood that General Franco has expressed himself unwilling to afford facilities to countries which have not accorded him full *de jure* diplomatic status.—*Reuter Special.*

Hungary Accepts Nazi Invitation

Berlin, Jan. 13.

Hungary's acceptance of the invitation extended by Germany, Italy and Japan to join the anti-Comintern Pact is officially announced, and it has been received in Berlin with the utmost gratification.

The newspaper "Nacht Ausgabe" writes: "He who joins the anti-Comintern Pact must not only know that Bolshevism is dangerous, but he must also know how to fight it. That cannot be done by speeches and resolutions. The iron will of the entire nation is needed. The pact has no imperialistic goals, but it has the sole task of creating peace and order in the world for all who are menaced by Bolshevism."—*Reuter.*

Imperial Service Medal For Official

Mr. George William Coysh, for 34 years in Government service and Deputy Shipping Master from 1920 to 1938 when he retired, has been awarded the Imperial Service Medal.

The notification was made in this morning's Government Gazette. Mr. Coysh, went on leave on his retirement but returned to the Colony a few months ago.

Rangoon Disorders Affect Dockyards

Rangoon, Jan. 13.

The strike among the natives has now spread to the Government dockyards.

Burmese hoodlums are destroying the public lighting works, and it is believed that this is an indication of preparation for riots and assaults.—*United Press.*

NEW MALARIOLOGIST

Dr. John Beveridge Mackie has been appointed Malariologist to the Medical Department as from January 4.

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON

Registered and ordinary mails (not Insured or Parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kwangtung	January 14.
Straits	Anhui	January 15.
Rabaul	Friderun	January 15.
Manila	Granville	January 15.
Haiphong and Fort Bayard	Jean Dupuis	January 15.
Amoy	Tjisadano	January 15.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	January 15.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 7th January.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**January 16.**
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Klungchow	January 16.
Shanghai and Swatow	Liangchow	January 16.
Shanghai	Regensburg	January 16.
Straits, Manila and London Parcels —(London date, 8th December, 1938.).	Deucalion	January 17.
Shanghai	Glenshiel	January 17.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	January 17.
Haiphong	Canton	January 18.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	January 18.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 11th January.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**January 18.**
Straits and Hoihow	Muinam	January 18.
Calcutta and Straits	Tilawa	January 18.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	January 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 24th December).	Pres. Harrison	January 19.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.)—London date, 22nd December and London Parcels—London date, 15th December 1938.	Ranchi	January 19.
Straits	Soudan	January 19.
Straits	Tegelberg	January 19.
Japan and Shanghai	Carthage	January 20.
Shanghai	Antilochus	January 21.
Saigon	Laos	January 21.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 11th January.	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**January 21.**
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 30th December 1938).	Pres. Pierce	January 21.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Saturday		
Amoy and Shanghai	Kaying	Sat., Jan. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for "Air France Service" —due Marseilles 20th January.	**Lyeemoon**	**Sat., Jan. 14.**
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	**Jan. 14, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.,	**Jan. 14, 5 p.m.**
Sunday		
Swatow and Foochow	Yingchow	Sun., Jan. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy and Chuanchow	Haiyang	Sun., Jan. 15, 9 a.m.
Shanghai and Tientsin	Yusang	Sun., Jan. 15, 9 a.m.
Saigon	Lyeemoon	Sun., Jan. 15, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 23rd January	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., Jan. 16.**
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 16, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 16, 5.30 p.m.**
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 16, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 16, 7 p.m.**
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 23rd Jan.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., Jan. 16.**
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 16, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 16, 5.30 p.m.**
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 16, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 16, 7 p.m.**
Tuesday		
Manila, Macasser and Sourabaya	Tjisadane	Tues., Jan. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi	Kwangtung	Tues., Jan. 17, Noon.
Swatow	Anhui	Tues., Jan. 17, 1.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Jean Dupuis	Tues., Jan. 17, 2 p.m.
Chuanchow and Amoy	Taiyuan	Tues., Jan. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Wednesday		
Swatow and Foochow	Chekiang	Wed., Jan. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Wed., Jan. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Tientsin	Wosang	Wed., Jan. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Thursday		
Japan	Hosang	Thurs., Jan. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Tientsin	Hangsang	Thurs., Jan. 19, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 26th January	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., Jan. 19.**
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 19, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 19, 5.30 p.m.**
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 19, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 19, 7 p.m.**
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 28th January	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., Jan. 19.**
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 19, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 19, 5.30 p.m.**
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 19, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 19, 7 p.m.**
Japan	Kamo Maru	Thurs., Jan. 19, 7 p.m.
Friday		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.	Ranchi	Fri., Jan. 20, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Fri., Jan. 20, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 17th February	Carthage	Fri., Jan. 20.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Parcels	**Jan. 20, 5 p.m.**
	Reg.	**Jan. 21, 9.45 a.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 21, 10.30 a.m.**
Saturday		
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sat., Jan. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 31st January.	**Carthage**	**Sat., Jan. 21.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	**Jan. 21, 9.30 a.m.**
	Ord.	**Jan. 21, 10 a.m.**
Papers for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Kumsang	Sat., Jan. 21.
	Parcels	**Jan. 21, 11 a.m.**
	Papers	**Jan. 21, Noon**
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" —due San Francisco, 28th Jan.	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**Sat., Jan. 21.**
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	**Jan. 21, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.,	**Jan. 21, 5 p.m.**
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	**Jan. 21, 5 p.m.**
	Ord.,	**Jan. 21, 5.30 p.m.**
Manila and Naples—due Naples, 11th February.	Victoria	Sat., Jan. 21, 5 p.m.
Tuesday		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 11th February.	Emp. of Japan	Tues., Jan. 24.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Parcels,	**Jan. 23, 5 p.m.**
	Reg.,	**Jan. 24, 9.15 a.m.**
	Ord.,	**Jan. 24, 10 a.m.**

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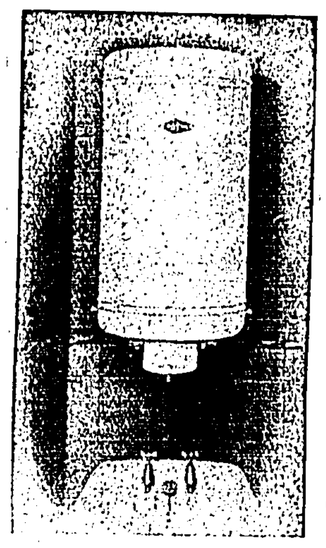
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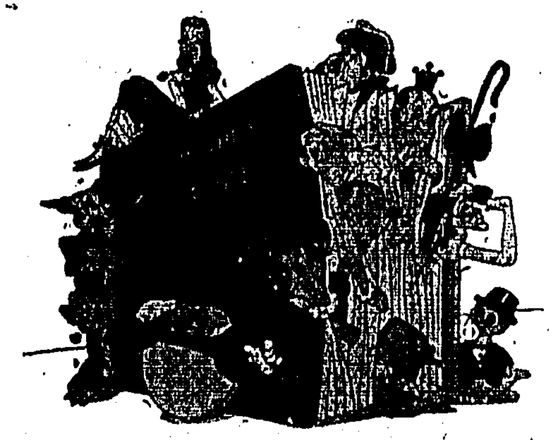
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Corps Orders for The Coming Week

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieut. Col. H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Friday, Jan. 13.

1. Relinquishment of Commission

Extract from *Government Gazette* No. 2 of 6.1.39:

"No. 8—His Excellency the Governor has approved the following relinquishment of commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 15th. December, 1938.—Lieutenant Eric Paul Fletcher, 6th. January, 1939."

2. Appointment

Extract from *Government Gazette* No. 2 of 6.1.39:

"No. 9—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following appointment in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 16th. December, 1938.—Mr. Charles Raymond Stoddart to be Second Lieutenant (Reserve of Officers), 6th. January, 1939."

3. Course of Instruction—Result

No. 1899 Gunner F. J. Anslow, 1st. Battery, attended a Quick-Firing (T.A.) Course at the Coast Artillery School, Shoeburyness, from 31.10.38 to 5.11.38 and obtained the certificate.

4. Enrolment Forms

A new issue of the enrolment form has been printed. In future enrolments will only be recorded on this form.

5. Rifle Table B—Stonecutters

Sunday, January 15. Stonecutters. Rifle Table B. M.G. Troop, Armoured Car Section, No. 1 M.G. Company and No. 2 M.G. Company. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. Kowloon Police Pier 8.45 a.m. Dress—optional. Range Officer—Lieut. L.B. Holmes.

6. Parades

(a) 1st. Battery:

i. Right Section.—Thursday, January 19, Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls and gun platform shoes.

ii. Left Section.—Tuesday, January 17, Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Layers' Class only. Dress S.D. cap, overalls and gun platform shoes. Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All ranks will attend.

iii. Signal Section.—Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

(b) 2nd. Battery.—Thursday, January 19, Sunday, January 22, Camp. Parade H.M.S. Tamar 8 a.m. Thursday, 19. Dress S.D. cap, K.D. jacket, breeches, puttees rolled down and lanyard. Greatcoat, slacks and overalls will be carried.

(c) Engineer Company:

i. D. E. L. Section.—Monday, January 16, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections. L.G. instruction. Thursday, January 19, R.E. Instructional Shed. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Section. D.E.L. instruction.

ii. Lyon Light Section.—Monday, January 16, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. L.L. Revision. Thursday, January 19, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Miniature Range.

(d) Corps Signals.—Tuesday, January 17, and Thursday, January 19, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Signal instruction.

(e) Machine Gun Troop.—Sunday, January 15, See para. 5 above. Tuesday, January 17, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. E.G.D. mount and dismount gun. Sunday, January 22, Peak Range. Rifle Table A.

(f) Armoured Car Section.—Sunday, January 15, See para. 5 above. Tuesday, January 17, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A Class—L.G. stoppages. B Class—M.G. tests. Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction. Sunday, January 22, Peak Range. Rifle Table A.

(g) Motor Machine Gun Platoon.—Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Revolver training.

(h) No. 1 M.G. Company.—Sunday, January 15, See para. 5 above. Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Revolver training. Sunday, January 22, Peak Range. Rifle Table A.

(i) No. 2 M.G. Company.—Sunday, January 15, See para. 5 above. Thursday, January 19, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Foot and arm drill. Sunday, January 22, Peak Range. Rifle Table A.

(j) No. 3 M.G. Company.—Monday, January 16, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 9 Platoon—Stripping and assembling. No. 10 Platoon—Miniature Range. Remainder—I.A.

(k) No. 4 M.G. Company.—Wednesday, January 18, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 14 Platoon—M.G. training, sight-setting and laying. Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 13 and 15 Platoons. Musketry instruction.

(l) Portuguese Companies.—Tuesday, January 17, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 5 M.G. Company—E.G.D. A.A. Company—Fitting of Gas masks. Sunday, January 22, Stonecutters. M.G. Part II. No. 5 M.G. Company.

(m) Machine Gun Signals.—Monday, January 16, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Line and Operating Section—Revolver drill. D/R. Section—Revolver drill under N.C.O's. Riding practice during week as detailed.

(n) Medical Section.—Wednesday, January 18, H.Q. 6.30 p.m. Lecture Map reading.

(o) Pay Section.—Friday, January 20, H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

(p) R.O.D.C.—Construction Section.—Sunday, January 15, Practical demolition exercise. Rendezvous Fanling Station 9.30 a.m. Haversack rations will be carried. Train leaves Kowloon 8.40 a.m. Train for return journey leaves Fanling 2.48 p.m. Railway transport will be free. Private cars may be used. Sunday, January 22, Peak Range. Rifle Table A.

7. Promotions and Appointment

2080 Cpl. F. Casey, Engineer Company, D. E. L. Section, to be Sergt. 13.1.39.

1700 L/Cpl. H. W. Brown, Engineer Company, D. E. L. Section, to be Corpl. 13.1.39.

2419 Pte. E. W. Coulson, No. 2 M. G. Company, to be L/Cpl. 13.1.39.

8. Leave

2343 Pte. L. D. Purves, A. S. C. Company, 19.5.38-19.1.39.

1503 A/Cpl. A. J. Dobson, Corps Signals, 1.12.38-31.11.39.

865 Pte. J. H. Gelling, A. S. C. Company, 7.12.38-6.6.39.

2247 Spr. M. D. Watson, Engineer Company, D. E. L. Section, 7.1.39-6.11.39.

2733 Pte. A. H. Murray, No. 2 M. G. Company, 12.1.39-11.11.41.

9. Strength-Decrease

2221 Pte. A. M. Silva, No. 5 M. G. Company, 7.9.38.

2302 Gnr. H. W. Leyden, 1st. Battery Reserve, 28.9.38.

2415 Pte. L. G. Lima, A. A. Company, 13.10.38.

2360 Pte. J. L. S. Alves, A. A. Company, 17.10.38.

2310 Pte. R. B. Wood, M. M. G. Platoon, 18.10.38.

2469 Pte. H. A. da Silva, A. A. Coy. Reserve, 28.10.38.

188 Sgt. W. H. Robson, Armoured Car Section, 9.1.39.

10. Strength-Increase

3228 Spr. J. G. Bailey, Engineer Company, D. E. L. Section, 9.1.39.

S. F. HEDGCOE, Major,
Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps.

NOTICE

Sergeants' Mess Meeting

There will be a General Meeting in the Mess at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps

1. Lecture

The next lecture in First Aid will be given by Professor L. T. Ride at the P. W. D. Offices on Friday, January 20, at 5.30 p.m.

2. Strength-Increase

Mrs. W. Dalziel—6.1.39.

3. Leave

Miss I. Cruickshanks—18.1.39 to 17.10.39.

(Sd.) Mrs. E. M. BEGG, Commandant, Nursing Detachment H. K. V. D. C.

Society Engagement

The engagement is announced between Cecil Edward Sanford Barclay, second son of the late Sir Colville Barclay and Lady Vansittart, and Eleanor Yvonne, only daughter of Sir William and Lady Shenton.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

Business has been of a disappointing nature during the week, and the volume has fallen away. The market opened steady and has remained so throughout, but the turnover has been small. The week's political news has had a disturbing effect, dampening Buyers' interest; on the other hand holders have shown no undue desire to liquidate, and the possibilities are that any sustained enquiry would find the market bare of scrip. The Directors of the H.K. Bank have declared a final dividend of £3 a/c 1938, which together with the interim of £2 10. 0d. makes a total distribution of £5 10s. 0d. for the year.

Business Done During the Week

Hongkong Bank $1,433, $1,420, $1,412½, $1,415, $1,440, $1,450, $1,430, $1,420, $1,400.
Canton Insurance $210
Union Insurance $475, $472, $475.
Hongkong Fires $178
Wharves $115
Docks (Old) $18½
Providents (Old) $6.40, $6.35
Providents (New) $6.15
Hotels $7.05, $7.
Lands $37½, $37, $36¾, $37¼, $37
Realties $5.05
Tramways $17.60, $17.70, $17.60, $17.50
China Lights (Cum rights) $9.00
China Lights (Ex Rights) $8.90
China Lights (Rights) $3.60, $3.50, $3.55, $3.50
Electrics $58, $57¾/58
Macao Electrics $17¼, $17
Telephones (Old) $23¼, $23¾, $23½/23.75
Cements $10¾, $10.00, $10¾
Dairy Farms $24½
Watsons $8.05
Entertainments $7.05
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Closing Quotations 3.30 p.m.

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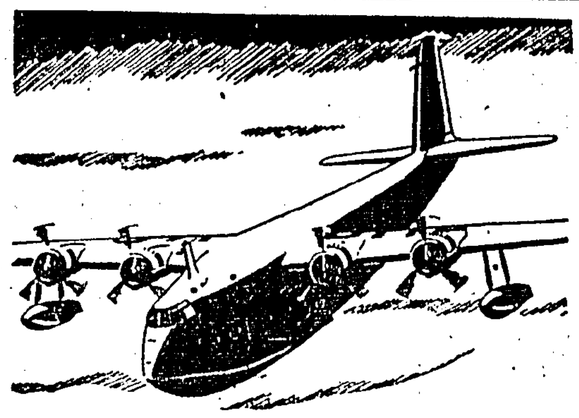
Hongkong Bank $1.410
China Underwriters $0.70
H.K. Docks (Old) $10¾
Providents (Old) $6¼
H. & S. Hotels $7
H.K. Lands $37½
H.K. Realties $5.65
H.K. Tramways $17.60
Peak Trams (New) $4
China Lights cum rights $9.00
China Lights (Rights) $3.60
H.K. Electrics $57¾
Cements $10.90
Dairy Farms $24.80
Watsons $8.15
Constructions $1¾
Marsmans (H.K.) 3/-
China Lights (Ex Rts) $8.85

Buyers

Douglases $64
Macao Electrics $17¼
Sandakan Lights $10
H.K. Ropes $4
Entertainments $7
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% pm.
Ewo Rights $1.10 (H.K. curr.)

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1.400
Union Insurance $475
H.K. Lands $37
H.K. Tramways $17.50
China Lights (Rts) $3.50
H.K. Electrics $57½/58
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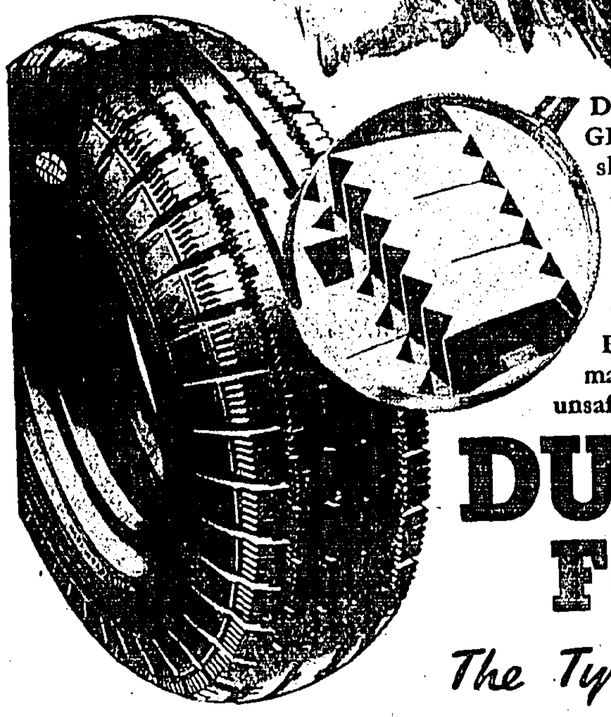
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EMPIRE NEWS

AUCKLAND.

Applications for import licences under the new trade control regulations are mounting rapidly. Overseas orders are almost at a standstill.

Importers are bewildered owing to the lack of information. The general opinion is that the restrictions will apply chiefly against Australia and the United States, with which countries New Zealand has an unfavourable trade balance.

The regulations will on the contrary favour Great Britain.

Australia

STRATEGIC VALUE OF PORT MORESBY

SYDNEY.

Sir Walter Carpenter, who has large business interests in New Guinea, and is the proprietor of the firm which is running the Sydney-New Guinea airmail service, strongly supports the proposal to establish a defence base on the south coast of Papua at Port Moresby.

This, he says, would enable Australia to command the only two passages for an invader striking from the north. It would place the defending fleet within easy distance of New Guinea, Torres Strait and all the Northern portion of Australia.

There were only two ways for an invader to come down the coast—through Hammond Passage in Torres Strait, which would be effectively commanded by Port Moresby, and the outside passage round New Guinea. A powerful fleet round New Guinea could cut off the retreat of any invader using the latter passage while any force at Port Moresby could intercept it

India

UNREST IN NATIVE STATES

CALCUTTA.

Unrest continues in the Raja-ruled States in Eastern India, and in the State of Talcher has reached serious proportions. Some 20,000 hungry peasant "refugees" from alleged oppression have encamped in rough shelters on the borders of British Orissa, whence they are carrying on the campaign for representative government.

They declare they will endure any privation, but will not return to Talcher until repression has ceased. Their presence is a problem for the Orissa Government, which has no right of interference.

Mr. Gandhi's announcement that the policy of non-interference by the Indian National Congress in the internal affairs of the States is to be changed has been received with misgiving, in view of the work of agitators in fomenting the unrest.

Trade Envoy to Egypt.—Mr. Abdul Majid, of Assam, formerly of the London offices of the Indian High Commissioner and the Indian Trade Commissioner, has been appointed to the new post of Indian Trade Commissioner in Alexandria.

Scholarships for Pilots.—Three scholarships for the advanced training of Indian pilots are being offered, two by Imperial Airways and the third by Sir Homi Mehta, Vice-Chairman, Indian Transcontinental Airways. The training will be in England. All study fees and training fees will be met. Successful candidates will receive free passages and £250 a year for two years.

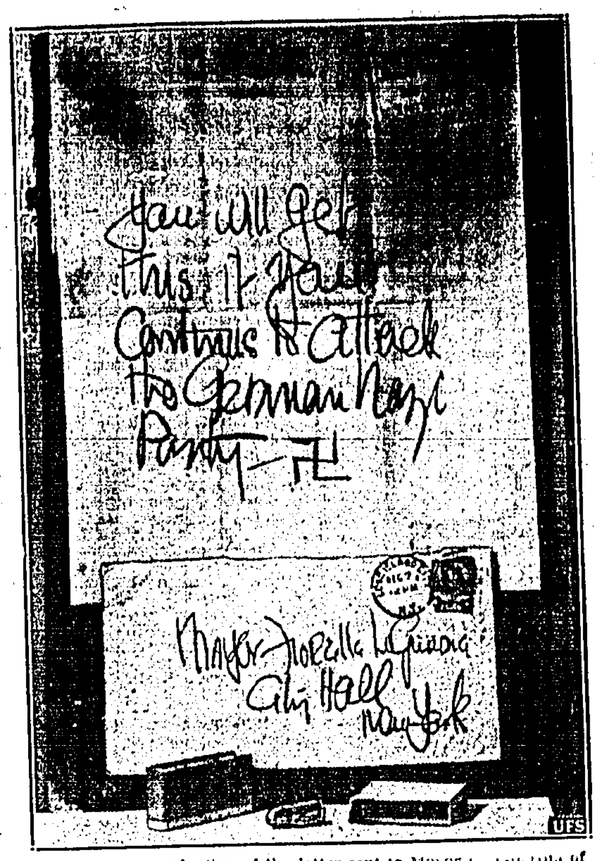
Kenya

JUVENILE LABOUR REFORMS

NAIROBI.

Recent allegations by Archdeacon Owen and others regarding conditions of employment among native juveniles in Kenya are not supported by the investigations of a Government Committee.

Nevertheless, it is recommended that the minimum age be raised from 10 to 12, and that no juvenile should be employable in industrial undertakings, such as mining, below the age of 14. It is also proposed that no written contracts of service should be made for children.



Here is a reproduction of the letter sent to Mayor La Guardia of New York, enclosing a bullet and threatening his life if he continued to attack the Nazis. Signature was a swastika drawn as the Indians used it, in reverse to the symbol of the German Nazis. The letter was turned over to police. Bullet is shown at bottom.

Okra 14 Feet Tall

Hammond, La.

Joseph Boyd, farmer, grows okra that rivals the tall corn of Kansas in height. Boyd exhibited a stalk of okra 14 feet long. He said he had to buy a special step ladder 16 feet high to clip the stalk of its pods.

HER KNEES SWELLED UP LIKE PUDDINGS

To Go Upstairs was Agony

There is nothing in which rheumatism is a greater handicap than in doing ordinary household duties—kneeling, stooping, running up and down stairs. How to overcome that handicap, and banish rheumatic aches and pains for good, is the subject of the following letter:—

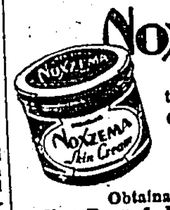
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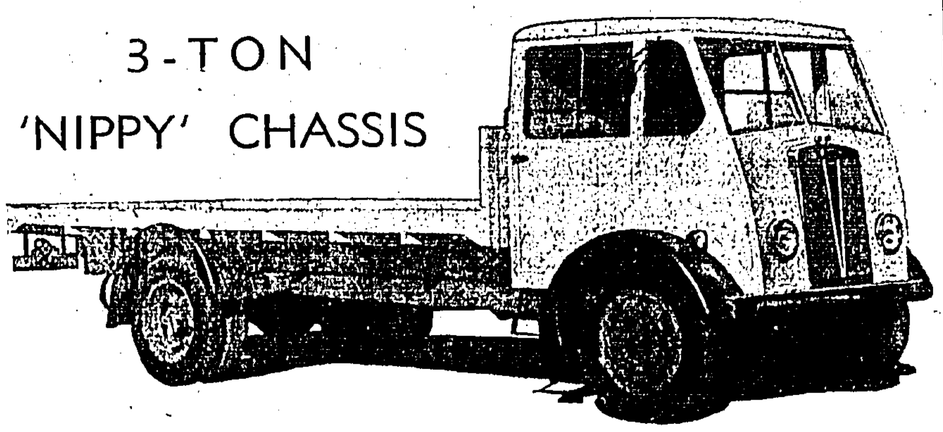
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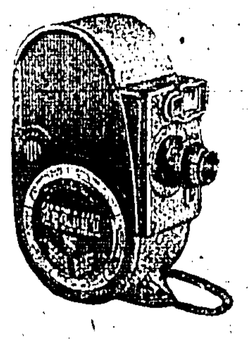
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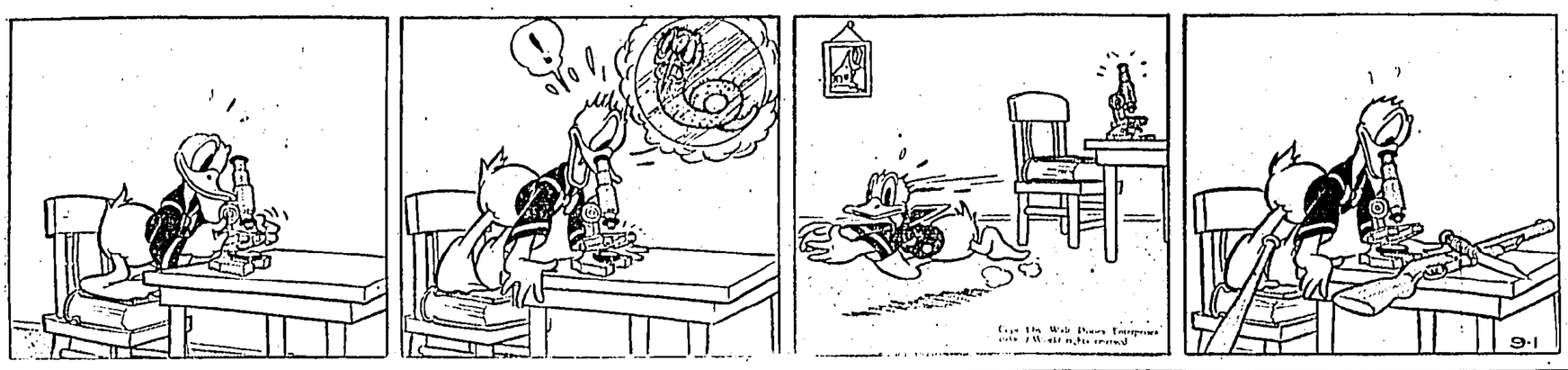
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HE TOLD GUESTS "HAVE A GOOD TIME"

WHEN Mr. Dundas Simpson left Caxton Hall, Westminster, with his bride to catch a 'plane at Croydon for their honeymoon abroad, he left the instruction: "See that everybody has a good time."

Back from his honeymoon, Mr. Simpson, a manufacturing chemist of City-road, Clerkenwell, found that the guests had had a better time than he had anticipated, and the bill, for entertaining 48 people was £37 3s. 9d.

Mr. Simpson's instruction that everybody must have a good time was qualified by a further intimation to one of his guests to keep an eye on the amount of liquor consumed.

THE LIMIT

And as a further precaution against excess Mr. Simpson intended to warn the caterer to limit the supply.

But that was where he and the caterer, Mr. Archie Tyler, of Petty France, Westminster, could not agree at Clerkenwell County Court recently.

Mr. Tyler insisted that no limit had been imposed. He agreed, he said, to supply champagne at 12s. 6d. a bottle providing a case of it was taken.

Mr. Simpson's version was that a case of champagne, besides being the minimum, was to be the maximum.

The 48 guests, including some children and as many women as men, toasted the bride and bridegroom in 24 bottles of champagne, 2¾ bottles of brandy, two bottles of whisky, two of gin, a bottle of Italian vermouth, two bottles of sherry, and 24 bottles of beer.

OLD STAGER

Mr. Simpson said that he thought this was definitely unreasonable. Most of the men present were beer drinkers.

The man he had instructed to check the drinks was a "staid old stager," but by mistake the checking had been done by his young brother-in-law, who was out for a good time.

Judge Earengey found that Mr. Simpson's instruction to the caterer included no mention of a limit and ordered payment of the balance of the account, £17 11s. 9d.

Mr. Simpson accepted liability and offered to pay at the rate of £5 5s. a month, but added that the bride's parents would probably pay.

Sir Seymour Hicks In "Peter Pan"

Sir Seymour Hicks is this year's Captain Hook in "Peter Pan," which opened at the London Palladium on Boxing Day.

The line of celebrated actors who have appeared in this part since Gerald du Maurier created the character in 1904 includes E. Holman Clark, Godfrey Tearle, Arthur Wontner, Henry Ainley, Lyn Harding, Ernest Thesiger, George Curzon, Ralph Richardson and Charles Laughton.

As already announced, Jean Forbes-Robertson is playing Peter this Christmas for the ninth time. Pamela Standish will be Wendy and Cecily Byrne plays Mrs. Darling.

"We Must Return To Russia"

PARIS.

NEARLY 2,000 officers and nobles of the Russian Court of Czarist days gathered in Paris recently to pledge loyalty to twenty-one-year-old Grand Duke Vladimir, the new Pretender to the Russian throne.

They cheered the duke as he declared: "We must return to our own country again."

Earlier he denied to newspapermen that he had any plans to accept the throne of Ukraine under Hitler's domination.

INDIA FILM IS BANNED

"THE Relief of Lucknow," which was to have been one of the most spectacular British films, was banned recently after the intervention of the India Office.

It is understood that the official view is that no useful purpose would be served by films dealing with the Indian Mutiny.

The India Office has no power to ban a film, but in the case of a picture of this type the official view is usually sought for consideration by the British Board of Film Censors. The scenario was submitted to the India Office, and the observations made on it led to the ban.

COSTUMES MADE

Eight hundred players and studio workers were to have been employed on the production, in which Miss Edna Best and Mr. Wilfred Lawson were the stars.

Sets had been built and costumes made.

Thousands of pounds had been spent in preparation.

Plans had been completed to begin photography at Walton-on-Thames with Mr. Maurice Elvey as director.

"I am astounded," he said. "I had no idea anyone would object to what was planned as a wholly patriotic picture.

"I understand that the ban is the result of the intervention of the India Office. The film censors could not have acted on their own at a time when Mr. Alexander Korda is producing 'The Four Feathers,' showing British and native troops at war in the Sudan."

Potash Imports Heavy

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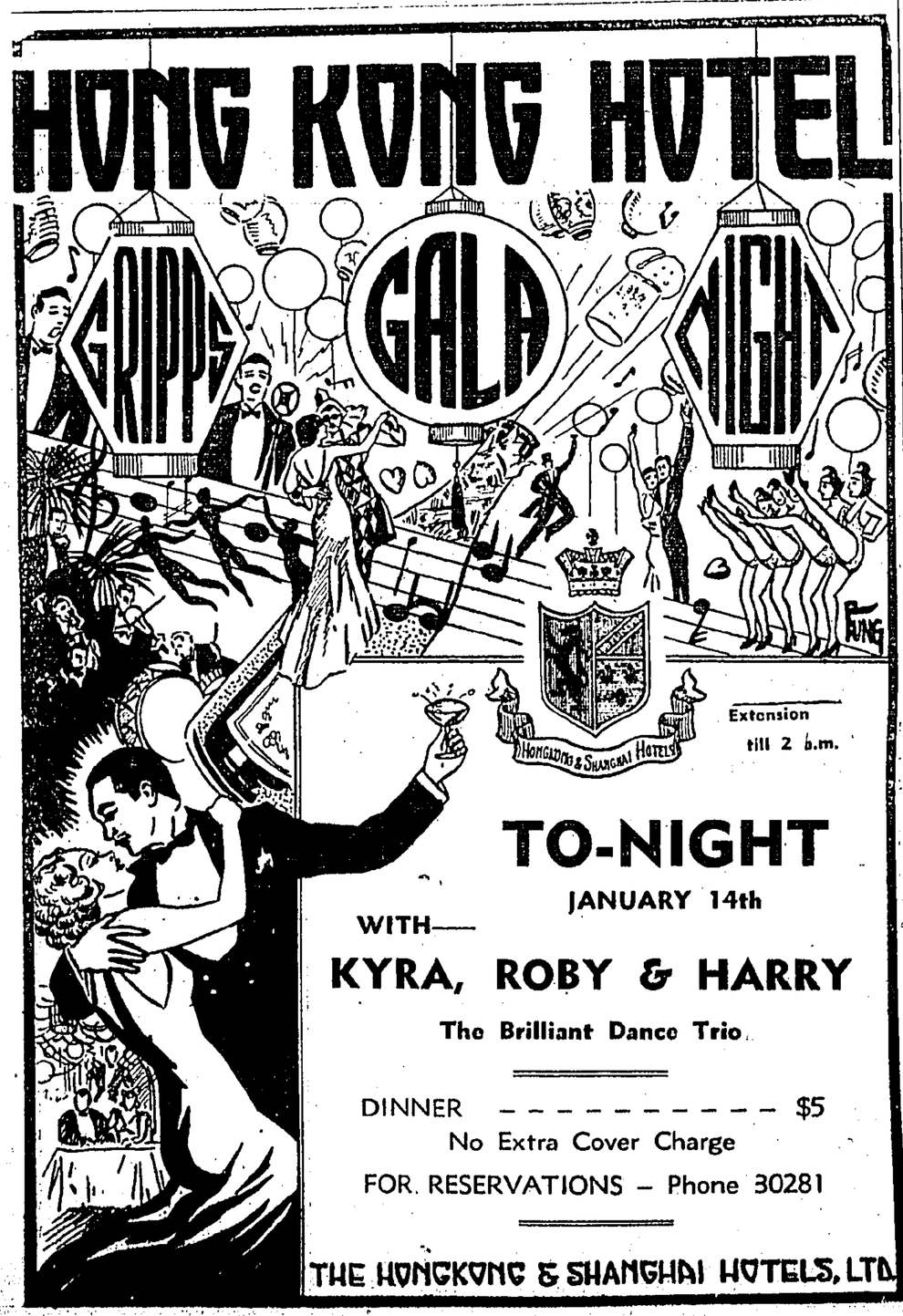
Great Lakes ports have received more than 20,000 tons of potash from Germany and France this year. The shipments included a cargo to be used on Ohio, Indiana and Illinois farms for corn and wheat land fertilizer.



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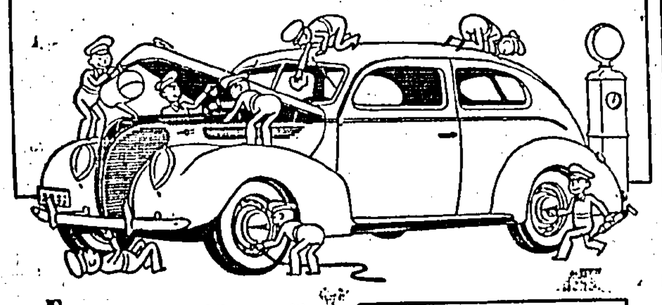
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"Left, Right....."

IT IS IMPROBABLE that more than one tenth of the masses of the Chinese migrating westwards across their burned, brown plains before the Japanese invaders, or cowering helpless in their flimsy buildings under a rain of mass murder from the sky, know much about Democracy or Totalitarianism.

Nevertheless, inarticulate as they are individually, they are collectively fighting a war that is no less a war between Democracy and Totalitarianism than is the conflict in stricken Spain.

Democracy has undoubtedly failed the Chinese, as it failed the Spaniards. But its failure in China may have vastly different results to the failure in Spain. China has not purchased nearly the quantities of arms or war materials she would have liked to have purchased from the western world but, as a result, her taxation per head of population has increased by less than 20 per cent. since the war began. In Japan it has gone up some 160 per cent.

Japan's future must provide its rulers with a dismal outlook. In July, 1937, they embarked upon the war which their generals predicted would end in victory in two months. Early in 1938 they talked about a Chinese capitulation in the summer. In October, when Canton and Hankow fell, it was all over bar shouting. In December, China could not possibly remain solidly behind Chiang Kai-shek after the flight of Wang Ching-wei. Now, despite these frequent predictions, Japan's new Prime Minister dolefully warns the nation that fighting may drag on for years, that greater sacrifices must be borne by the entire populace. It is no longer China who is being called upon to make all the sacrifices. The tide has turned, with China already tested and found not wanting, with Japan, her major test yet to come, on the verge of revolution and collapse.

Japan is discovering, that although governments can wage war for a short time without gold, there comes the fatal day when creditors begin to wonder, and decide that the best plan is to play on the safe side.

As Japan's credits dry up, China's expand. Britain and the United States are now allowing a trickle of financial aid to reach China. The trickle may become a cascade, as evidence grows that China, and not Japan, may win this war.

This spring may quite probably see the open and utter failure of the Tokyo corner of the triangle formed by Germany, Italy and Japan, nominally to combat Communism and in effect to combat established and easy-going countries like our own, or China's.



Look at YOU!



By WILL SCOTT

LIFE is a mess, and you don't have to tell me. Look at you. Look at me. Look at anybody.

Look at the pictures in the papers. A collection of Grim Faces. Grim Faces conducting election campaigns. Grim Faces kicking off at football matches. Grim Faces laying foundation stones. Grim Faces holding the world's largest chrysanthemums.

Look at the people opposite in the trains and the buses.

Something's wrong.

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Life is a mess. . .

Let's go back a bit.

When I was so high Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show used to come to our town once a year. Twice a year came the thing they called a Cinematograph. After that there was the performing bear in the street once in a while or a penny Magic Lantern Show. And after *that* there was nothing. We did see life.

If we stayed in nights (and we *did*) we read comic papers. Our big heroes were Weary Willie and Tired Tim and a wonderful being named Ally Sloper. If you're under thirty you don't know what I'm talking about. If you're over forty you're sighing and becoming sentimental.

The world isn't what it was.

You don't have to wait a year for Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show now. You don't have to put on stout shoes and an overcoat and a muffler and tramp two miles through the slush when you want fun. You take your stout shoes *off*, get round the fire and turn a knob. Dance bands, plays, variety, spelling bees, relays from the other side of the globe, cricket, football. . . . You turn a knob and it's poured out all over you.

All for about the price of a cigarette. You don't have to wait six months for the Cinematograph.

You go round the corner and sit in a pink glow for three hours for ninepence, watching the latest million-dollar film from Hollywood. They let you sit on velvet to do it and they wash the air you breathe every half hour. They give you fresh doses every Monday and Thursday. Sunday, too.

What do you think *we* did on Sunday, when I was so high?

If you need the doctor urgently in the middle of the night you don't have to trudge five miles through the snow to get him. You lift the receiver for twopence.

Why shouldn't you look miserable? It's a rotten world and getting worse.

I remember that when I was so high and we saw a motor-car we used to run after it and stare. We never rode in one. They were for the rich. When we rode (which wasn't often) it was in a horse-bus with one oil lamp and straw on the floor. You couldn't read by the light of the oil lamp and the straw always used to be wet.

If you think I'm a hundred and two and writing about the Dark Ages, I'll say that if you're only thirty I mean the year or two before you were born.



Buffalo Bill once a year.

Nowadays you catch a bus that's like a home on wheels. Brilliantly-lighted. Warm. Cushioned seats. Soft tyres. Quick.

Nowadays it isn't only the rich who own motor-cars. In the good old sense there aren't so many rich left. Money's getting about more. You and I can own motor-cars now. In that respect we can do just as the rich did thirty-five years ago. See us in the summer, going down to the sea every week-end in our motor-cars. Not dozens of us. Not hundreds of us. Tens of thousands of us.

I don't know what the world's coming to.

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Seriously, though, something's wrong. We've got most things that grandfather hadn't—and look at our Grim Faces. Life's a mess, and you don't have to tell me. But life always was. Yet we managed to get a laugh or two when I was so high.

Something's missing.

Or someone . . .

I mentioned Ally Sloper to some young people the other day and they'd never heard of him. Which was to be expected. But I wanted to know what they had in his place, and they didn't appear to have anything in his place. It's a long time since I saw Weary Willie and Tired Tim. Perhaps they've been dead and gone for years. Sloper has, I know.



Where are the Comic Men?

I saw what was called a "children's comic" last week, and it was all fairies, animals in trousers and painting competitions. Very nice, no doubt, but in what way "comic"?

In the old days we used to make rather a god of the Comic Man. We had a need for Comic Men. When they weren't there we used to invent them. In the long-ago there was Falstaff and the rest. Dickens gave us Micawber, the Wellers and dozens more. We even made Guy Fawkes into a Comic Man. Before the war the Comic Man had crept into the advertisements. Are you old enough to remember Sunny Jim?

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The stage was crowded with Comic Men. Dan Leno, Little Tich, Harry Weldon; scores of them. Comic Women, too. Marie Lloyd. . . .

The Comic Man was bigger than life. He was an exaggeration, and on the whole a happy exaggeration. He had pretty well all our peculiarities. When we laughed at him we laughed at everybody.

To-day the Comic Man is no more.

We've got comedians. Taken as a class they wear dress suits and drape themselves over pianos. Sometimes they're amusing. Sometimes not. They're never larger than life. They're not comic. The Comic Man has walked right out of our novels. No Micawbers now. The Comic Man lasted into the Wodehouse Age, a bit shrunken. Bindle was one of the last of him. You won't find a Comic Man in a modern novel. Nor in politics. You won't find one anywhere.

The Comic Man was us, magnified. His bragging and shouting were our own bragging and shouting, enlarged. His terror of his mother-in-law was our own strong dislike, made the most of. When we saw the funny side of him we saw the funny side of ourselves.

Now we have no Comic Man to laugh at. Which possibly explains the Grim Faces. We don't laugh at ourselves now. We take ourselves seriously. We're no longer a joke.

Well, you say, life's such a mess. Who could be *funny* about Hitler, Mussolini, Neville, the tax man? They are a serious business and serious businesses must be taken seriously.

Yes, I know. Just being alive was a serious business ten thousand years ago, and I've got an idea it still will be ten thousand years ahead. It was a serious business a hundred years ago, a much more serious business for the ordinary man than it is to-day, whether you believe me or not. But the ordinary man had Micawber and Pickwick and old man Weller to help him jog along.

A generation ago the Kaiser was a serious business but we made a Comic Man of him. And Little Willie. And they didn't, perhaps, seem quite such bogies, after that. Life was a mess a generation ago. But out of the mess emerged Old Bill. Nobody's emerged from the Crisis. Not a single Comic Man.

We no longer laugh at us. We just take ourselves, all the time, dead seriously.

We don't seem to have any use for the Comic Man any more. But I notice we still keep the Bogy Man.

Me and my girl go to the Fair

By Spike Hughes



Thought she'd like to marry a man who would buy her a houseful of them.

THE child is incorrigible. I took—that is, I went with—Maureen Angela Cairns Hughes to Woman's Fair yesterday.

The idea was to get a New Angle.

I got it. When I asked her what she liked most she replied: "Those spraying things for washing glasses at the bar."

I pointed out that the bar was not strictly part of the exhibition, and she retorted, "Why not?"

After that I just trailed around after her.

And I'm glad it's the week-end, because I love to walk, but oh, my feet.

Of course we didn't see the half of it.

She tried everything, not once, but several times. She had her nails "done"; she was covered with enough perfumes of Arabia to sweeten Lady Macbeth's little hand for a lifetime. Anything free to eat she ate, from sandwich "spreads" to chopped raw carrots.

For Maureen Angela it was a day of new experiences.

There was the wax figure lying on a couch under a sun-lamp, for instance.

Her ribs had to be poked for a start to prove she wasn't real.

Then there were silk-worms, and the Coronation Robes of T.R.H. The Duchesses of Kent and Gloucester.

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There was a long discussion as to which dress was the more impressive.

Eventually it was decided that they *both* looked like Snow White, anyway, and could Maureen Angela go and see "Red Riding Hood" at Covent Garden when it came on?

Also, could we please go and see what was on the balcony?

We did. It was a little like taking coals to Newcastle, for we found ourselves in the midst of the "Mother and Child" section, and I had one of each with me.

Here we spent best part of a quarter of an hour blowing down a tube to test our lungs, in aid of a hospital.

Maureen Angela's blow-pressure was more than that of a powerful adult.

I asked her about this.

"Well," she said, "I paid a penny, so I got in as many blows as I could for the money."

She doesn't wear a kilt for nothing, Celtic mongrel that she is.

This section in the balcony provided a lot of fun. We got weighed, we watched our hearts beat, and we had a lot more free food.

Then we went back and were weighed again. Our weights weren't good, but they were different.

There was still a lot to see and Maureen Angela had a date soon.

We went downstairs again. For the third time in the afternoon we craned our necks to admire. "The Silver Lady."

And for the third time in the afternoon I insisted that it was the Venus de Milo.

"But that's Venus over there," said Maureen Angela. She pointed to the enormous Botticelli hung over the main entrance. "They're quite different looking. One's got arms."

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Logic like this defeats me, and I was glad when we passed on to the discussion of the rayon-hung roof.

"Enough stuff there for three million dresses," said Maureen Angela.

I'm never good on facts; but I suggested 300,000 as a more likely figure.

"Whatever it is, why don't they make dresses of it?"

I muttered something about art not always being useful, and added: "It's pretty anyway."

"H'm," said Maureen Angela. "I'd rather have a washing-machine."

Knowing the difficulties my elder daughter has in the back of her neck in the mornings, I was surprised at this sudden interest in anything to do with soap.

I said nothing.

"Yes," she continued. "I'm going to marry a man who'll give me a whole houseful of washing-machines. Or at least, a man who can fix one up."

"You're going to marry an electrician, then?"

"No. Just a man who can fix up a washing-machine."

It was time we went, and I still wanted a "line" for this article.

"What," I asked, "would you buy in this Fair if you had an absolutely free choice?"

Maureen Angela thought for a moment. "Oh, a new hat, I suppose."

Eternal Woman had spoken.—But not her last word.

"And one of those things for washing glasses at the bar, of course."

To-day's Thought

JESTING often cuts hard knots more effectively than gravity.

—HORACE.

Fortune of 3 Million Left to Waif

New York.

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And when she died she left behind her the Gould fortune swollen from £2,000,000 to £14,000,000, from which the man who was once a homeless waif gets a £3,000,000 share.

THE BOY'S STORY

When the boy was found he told the police that he lived at Philadelphia, and he gave two addresses there. But at neither address was he known. The name Austin McCleary was sewn into his suit, but he insisted that his real name was John Doe. His parents were never found.

"Big man in blue buttons took my papa away," he prattled. "My mamma was covered with blood. Bad boy took me away."

Later he changed his story, omitting the blood and thunder and saying his father had brought him to New York.

Pictures and descriptions of him were posted in schools and police stations throughout the country, but still no one claimed him.

The next year he was adopted by Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, given a rich boy's education at an exclusive school and a university.

Six years ago, while studying music in Vienna, he met Ann Loraine Sheldon, an American girl, and they were wed.

Namesakes Get Together

Omaha, Neb.

Marian Jeanne Barrie, Omaha, saw Marian Jeanette Barrie's (Seward, Neb.,) picture in the paper and a "pen pal" correspondence began. They have a mutual friend, Marian Jean Barrie of Red Oak, Ia.

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In The Pictorial News This Week



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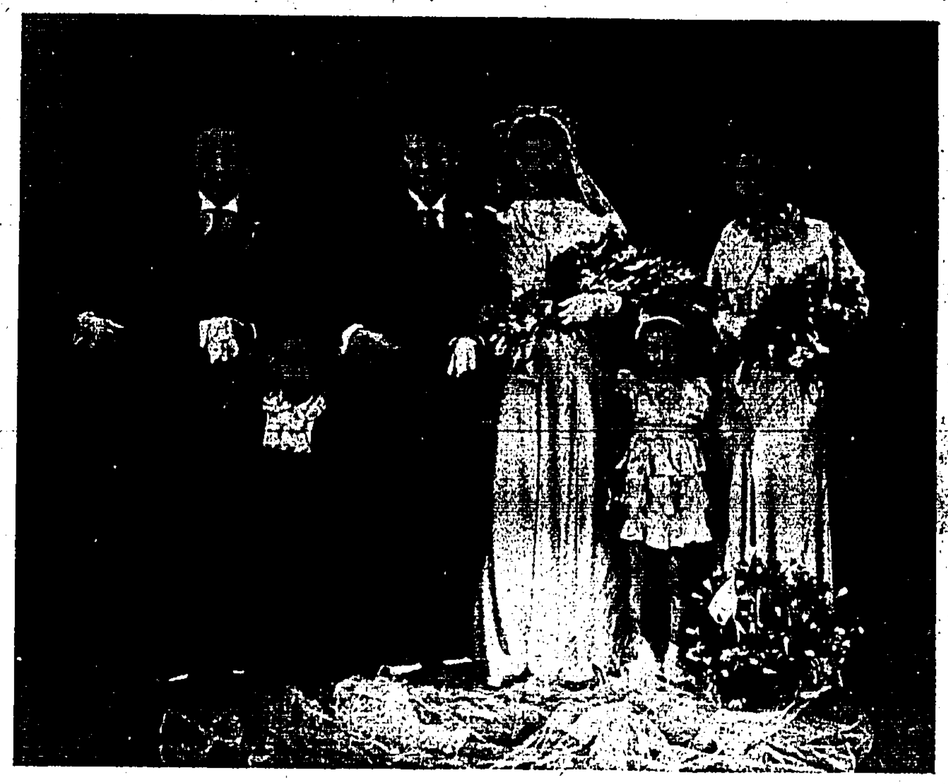
A HAPPY PARTY. A Fancy Dress party was recently given by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, general manager of the Hongkong Tramways Co., at his residence when the above photograph was taken.—*King's Studio.*



FOUNDLINGS. Some of the large number of baby girls who are being cared for at the Foundling Home at Cheung Chau.



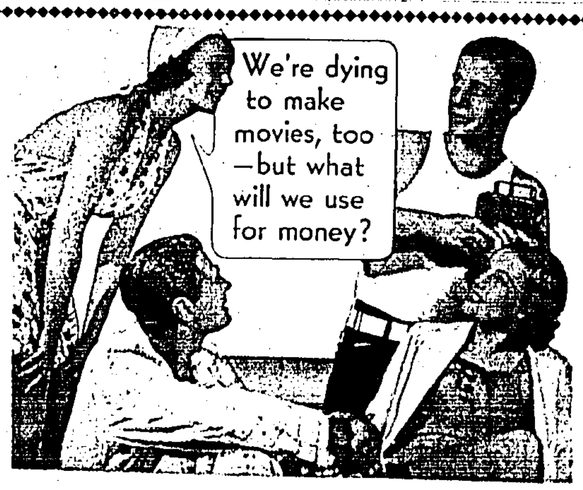
NEWLY-WEDS. Mr. Robert Frosch and his bride, formerly Miss Erna M. Seidel, who were recently married at the Registrar's Office.—*Ming Yuen.*



BRIDAL GROUP. Mr. H. L. Chen and and his bride, the former Miss S. F. Wong, photographed with their attendants following their recent marriage.—*Ming Yuen.*



BIRTHDAY PARTY. Group photograph of friends and relations who gathered to celebrate the 21st birthday of Mr. Stanley Lee held at Kowloon Tong recently.—*King's Studio.*



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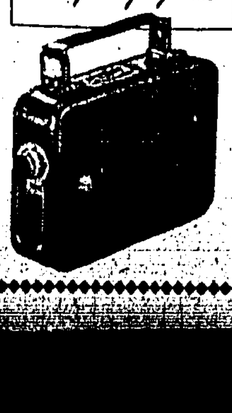
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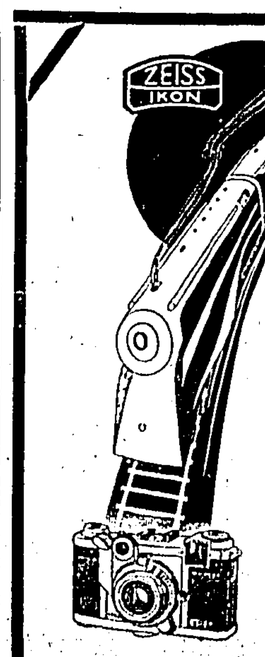
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OF COURSE YOU KNOW, BUT ARE YOU SURE?

BY using two pencils and having two thinks at the same time you will be able to get through this week's easy set of knotty problems twice as quickly as usual . . . although don't treat the very simple-looking ones too cavalierly. There is just a chance there might be a catch.

For each question answered correctly allow yourself two points. When you have done the 25 add up and blush shamefully if the total doesn't reach 30. If you get 40 you can tell people about it—and a 50 total indicates that probably you have made a mistake in addition.

1.—Euchre is a fine old card game—old, any way; but you won't get far with it if you don't know the card with the highest value, excluding the joker, is the:—

Ace of trumps; left bower; King of spades; deuce of trumps; Jack of trumps; ace of hearts.

2.—Whenever you hear a golfer muttering the word foozle you will understand that he is referring to a:—

Player who doesn't observe the etiquette of the game; round under par; hole in two strokes under bogey; mis-stroke; a drink at the 19th hole.

3.—Even if you don't take a drop of the doin's probably you'll know that a shandygaff is a mixture of:—

Stout and lemonade; beer and lemonade; stout and ginger beer; beer and ginger beer.

4.—An offence is described as venial when it is:—

Terrible; punishable by death; committed at pistol point; pardonable; never discovered; against the State.

5.—Have you ever met a pragmatical person? You know, someone who is what you would call:—

Meddlesome; perplexing; quarrelsome; sarcastic; old-fashioned; ill-mannered.

6.—The emblem of the House of York, which got mixed up in the Wars of the Roses, was a:—

Scimitar; crescent moon; castle; red rose; white rose; pink camellia; dragon.

7.—His original family name was Finklestein, but maybe you will know this famous European statesman as:—

Hitler; Mussolini; Daladier; Stalin; Litvinov; Franco.

8.—If you went into the right sort of shop and asked for some love apples the shopkeeper (if he knew his job) would straightway weigh you out some:—

Potatoes; sweet potatoes; swedes; turnips; tomatoes; mandarins.

9.—Delving into a book on astronomy I was rather surprised to find that the number of satellites the earth has is:—

Five; sixty-four; three; one; millions.

10.—First president of the United States of America was none other than:—

Garfield; Lincoln; Hoover; Washington; Harding; Theodore Roosevelt.

11.—According to William Shakespeare the man who said "the evil that men do lives after them" was:—

Julius Caesar; Marc Antony; Cassius; Brutus; Othello; Caliban; Coriolanus.

12.—The name of the man mentioned in the Bible as being drowned in the Red Sea was:—

David; Peter; Moses; Pharaoh; Matthew; Joseph; Judas.

13.—Should you doubt it, by taking a peek at your dictionary you can prove that the number of English words beginning with a Q and not followed by a U is:—

None; one; two; three; four; five; six.

14.—If you can hang on until then you may be interested to know that the year 2000 will:—

Be a leap year; not be a leap year.

15.—Unless you confuse the word hyperbola with another word that sounds something like it (and I'm afraid some of you might), you will know that a hyperbola is:—

An ellipse; a rhetorical figure of speech; a curve; chemical used in photography.

16.—The greater area of these two—five square feet and five feet square—is the:—

First; second.

17.—The native inhabitants of Ceylon are called:—

Ceylonese; Colombians; Celanese; Cingalese; Senegalese; Hottentots; Kaffirs.

18.—All countries, of course, have a capital city—but how many continents have one?

One; two; three; four; five; six.

19.—In France a place known as an Hotel Dieu is merely a:—

Guest house; church; monastery; convent; hospital; orphanage.

20.—Queen Victoria came to the throne in succession to her:—

Mother; brother; father; uncle; cousin; grandfather; aunt.

21.—And while we are touching on history it will be to your everlasting disgrace if you don't know that the first King of Great Britain was:—

Egbert; William the Conqueror; Alfred the Great; James I; Canute; Ethelred.

22.—If you had your choice between having a pound of half sovereigns and half a pound of sovereigns naturally you would take the:—

Sovereigns; half sovereigns; either because they would be the same.

23.—Next time you take a lady out for a train ride just try to remember to do the right thing and make a point of:—

Stepping out of the compartment first; letting her step out first; both jump out together.

24.—And who was Milo? If you can go by the best books on mythology Milo was a very:—

Heavy drinker; great general; beautiful woman; famous wrestler; avaricious person; nasty piece of work.

25.—Calculate quickly (and if you slip on this you deserve all that's coming to you) twice times the half of nine and a half:—

Stepping out of the compartment first; letting her step out first; both jump out together.

(Answers on Page 3.)

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR: EPISODE 94

"THEORETICALLY, you know," said Leonard Orpheris, as he lit a cigar with a hand which, nevertheless, trembled a little—"Theoretically, you know, I don't object specially to, murder. One's feeling against it"—he gazed with an abstracted air at his boots—"is, so to speak, instinctive, and I daresay it can be analysed away.

"You know what I mean, Doctor. One's a bit frightened, for one thing, and, for another, one's got a sort of idea that what you're proposing isn't done. Suppose we all went around—"

Dr. Goulash interrupted him. "You're talking too much, Leonard," he said brusquely. "What you want is a sedative. Either you're coming in with us or not; if you're a sensible man you will; if not, we'll say nothing more about it. Virgil and I have made our minds up, and, whether you help us or whether you don't Glibhouse has got to die. To die by his own hand," he winked at Horace Virgil, art critic and litterateur. "That's the idea, Horace, isn't it?"

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HORACE VIRGIL nodded agreement. "Glibhouse is a rotter, Leonard," he said. "You know that as well as I do. He's made a mess, to my knowledge, of at least two women's lives, and I daresay there are lots of other cases that we know nothing about. The plan we have worked out—the Doctor and I—is a particularly foolproof one, but if you don't come in with us I've no doubt we can think up another just as good."

Orpheris was still unconvinced. "Why don't you just get the Doctor to poison him?" he said. "What's the matter with that? He can certify heart failure, or something, and no one will be any the wiser."

"You're a fool, Orpheris," replied Goulash. "For one thing, he's not my patient. What do you suggest that I should do? Ask him to dinner and put hyoscine in the soup?

"That kind of thing is far too dangerous. Everyone knows that I hate the man and that we've publicly quarrelled on more than one occasion. Whereas, as Virgil says our plan is a foolproof one—and don't forget, Orpheris, that if you come into it, there's a couple of thousand quid for you. More," he added, with a hint of sarcasm, "than you've ever made out of a picture before."

At the mention of the money Orpheris stiffened with a sudden resolution. "Let's hear again what the plan is."

"Good man," said Goulash. "Its postulates are as follows:

"First, everyone knows that Glibhouse works at night. Second, everyone knows that he's supposed to be painting a portrait of himself. Third he has not, in fact, begun on this much advertised work. Fourth, your own technique is practically indistinguishable from his. Fifth, Virgil, here—the leading authority on contemporary art—will be prepared to vouch that the portrait of Glibhouse, which you are going to paint, is, in fact, Glibhouse's own work."

"That hangs together all right," answered Orpheris grudgingly, "but why all this bother? Why must I paint a portrait—even for the quite reasonable fee which you offer, and pretend that it's a genuine Glibhouse?"

"Why?" answered Virgil. "To fix the alibi, you fool. When Glibhouse is found shot in his studio, an automatic in his hand, he will, in fact, have been dead a good bit longer than appears to be the case. You don't have to worry about that; it's something to do with a refrigerator. The point is that my medical adviser here and I will dump the body in the studio somewhere about midnight, and we shall have a perfect alibi for the next twelve hours.

"We shall also dump in the studio your half-finished picture of our victim—dammit, man, it's only six hours' work for you because that's about all the time that Glibhouse will have been supposed to have put in on it—and there it will be discovered in the morning, the paint still fresh on the canvas.

"Do you see, now what a perfect plot it is? Scotland Yard, when it assembles the evidence, will have no option but to conclude that Glibhouse, hard at work at his self-portrait, suddenly got sick of his ugly vicious mug, or of the scheme of things in general, took up his pistol and put paid to his own acount."

"But I still don't quite get the idea," answered Orpheris. "Why couldn't you have just gone into the studio and shot him when no one was looking? If you can effect an entrance to dump the body, you can equally well effect an entrance to bump off Glibhouse."

"Quite so," answered Virgil, "and that's why we want the evidence of the portrait. The women who, as they put it, 'does for' Glibhouse will testify that, at nine o'clock, or some such time, the thing had not been started. From the point of view of the dicks, then, there will be only one conclusion.

"The distinguished artist came back to his studio some time before midnight and got going right away; he could not, therefore, have shot himself at any time during which our alibi is doubtful, because the portrait simply could not have been done. Not even Scotland Yard can fly in the face of facts."

"Give me a whisky," said Orpheris, after pondering for a few moments. "It's a bet."

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THE murder of Emmanuel Glibhouse—"Sensation in Bohemia," as the papers called it—was carried out according to plan.

As he and the Doctor made their dispositions in the dead man's studio, Virgil had a slight attack of nerves, but Goulash thoroughly enjoyed himself. He was to go down in history as one of the most imperturbable criminals who ever stood in the dock.

"My God, Horace," was his comment, as the two men had a final look round. "Here we are about to leave the scene of what we planned as a perfect crime, and you've made three major blunders."

"The devil I have!" exclaimed Virgil. "What's gone wrong?"

"Keep calm, Horace, nothing that we can't put right.

"The first point: the colours on this palette don't correspond with the tubes of paint that our departed friend appears to have been using. A crime fiction writer would find that out, you know, even if Scotland Yard did not. However, I can put that right in five minutes. The second point: our lamented friend was left-handed. Very few people, now I come to think of it, knew that. Yet you've stuck the pistol in his right hand."

"So I have, Doctor," Virgil bent over the dead body and made the necessary adjustments. "And what's your third point?"

"The most serious blunder of all," replied Goulash. "We've forgotten to impress our victim's fingerprints on the palette."

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TWENTY minutes later these little defects had been remedied and the conspirators left the building and, five hours after that—at precisely the time anticipated—the dead body of Emmanuel Glibhouse was discovered by his housekeeper.

Dr. Goulash would not have been flattered had he heard Joshua Playfair discussing the case a few days after the conviction of his fellow-plotters and himself.

"Virgil was telling me," he said to Sergeant Dumbell, "how, just as he and Goulash were leaving the studio they discovered what the Doctor described as 'three major blunders.' The biggest blunder of all both of them overlooked, yet it was literally staring them in the face."

WHAT WAS THAT?

(Solution on Page Three)

CONSPIRACY TO MURDER

A Lay Sermon

By Hugh Redwood

"JESUS CHRIST is God's *last* word to man." In a book I was reading that sentence brought me up short. Jesus, the Word, is God's *last word*.

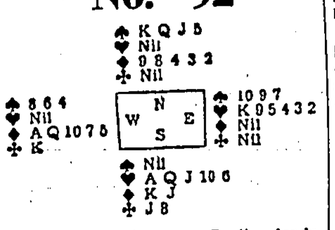
It is a tremendously solemn thought for a world that seems bent on rejecting *Alpha* and Christ, bent, in *Omega* other words, on Revelation, i.e spurning God's final peace terms. In the beginning was the Word, for He is first as well as last, Alpha as well as Omega. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light still shines in the darkness: and the darkness, thank God, is still powerless to quench it: but the condemnation holds true that men, because their deeds are evil, love darkness rather than light.

We talk of a new revelation of God: some of us think it is now being given us. But let us be sure what we mean. God in His mercy may give us a new and clearer vision of Christ. But if we are looking for some other, some easier way than Christ, then assuredly we shall be disappointed. God has spoken His last word: let us praise Him that it is a saving word.

BRIDGE PROBLEM

This Week's Problem

No. 92



Spades are trumps. South leads and North-South have to win six of the nine tricks.

Solutions by first post Wednesday to "Bridge Problem," *Hongkong Telegraph*.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 91

South leads diamond eight which West wins, and North discards his spade. West's best lead is a small club, which East is allowed to win, and South throws his ten. To avoid leading up to hearts, East leads his king and eight of spades, which transfers the lead to West, North discarding one heart and then the second when he sees that West will win. If West leads a third spade, away goes North's third heart, and North, with proper play, must win two club tricks.

If, at trick three, East leads spade eight instead of king for West to win, North discards not a heart but a club, for if West leads the queen or jack of clubs North wins with the ace at once and throws East in the lead with a small heart and must eventually win with the heart queen.

If, at trick two, West leads spade queen instead of a club, North discards a heart and East must get away from the lead by overtaking and returning, and if West wins North discards another heart. But if West plays under the eight North discards a club and will make his queen of hearts and ace of clubs. If, however West overtakes the spade eight with his jack and leads his third spade, both North and South discard hearts, and when West next leads a small club North wins with his ace at once. South playing the seven. North leads back a *small* club and South's ten forces West's queen or Jack and North's nine wins later.

It wasn't that this problem was found so difficult, but I have seldom, if ever, seen solvers get into such a muddle with the suits. One sums up—"An original lead of diamonds is unsound, clubs worse, and hearts, of course, fatal." Yet he opens with the only correct lead—a diamond—but later mixes up this suit with hearts. And still I can see that he has the correct idea of the solution.

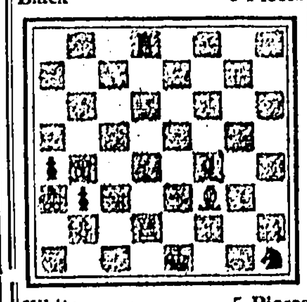
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CHESS PROBLEMS

Nos. 73–74

Problem No. 73

Black 6 Pieces

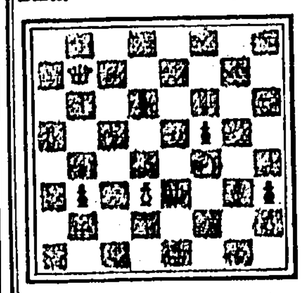


White 5 Pieces

White to play and mate in two.

Problem No. 74

Black 5 Pieces



White 7 Pieces

White to play and mate in three.

SOLUTIONS TO LAST WEEK'S PROBLEMS

Solutions to Problems 71—72

No. 71 Q-B

No. 72 1. RB4 PxR
2. R-Q3ch
1. —— Threat
2. RxQPch

PUZZLE CORNER

Cryptogram

To-day's cryptogram is a quotation by William Penn:

"YBISK ZRP QNAXNK, AND JBOK MRCLQ, RLX VK FVB YBIMCOKQ YCIQD FCLQ."

Form Puzzle

Definitions are given below for words to be filled in reading across. If done correctly, the central letters will spell the name of what we look for in these puzzles:

(1) Places for keeping motorcars. (2) Confectionary. (3) Inquire. (4) A consonant, (5) Jewel. (6) Not late. (7) ships.

Letter Changing

Following the usual rules, change RIPS to TEAR in 8 moves.

What Is the Number?

If 5 is subtracted from a certain number and the difference is subtracted from 115 the result equals 3 times the given number. What is the number?

Biblical Characters

Can you correctly identify each of the Biblical characters as noted by the example checked?

1	Abednego	lawgiver
2	Bartimaeus	husband of Ruth
3	Daniel	Hebrew youth
4	Matthew	son of Isaac
5	Solomon	blind beggar
6	Benjamin	an Apostle
7	David	Hebrew prophet
8	Esau	son of Joseph
9	Joseph	king of Israel
10	Moses	wise ruler

(Answers Appear On Page 3.)

Export Credits For China

London.

REFERENCE to the Government proposal for Exports Credits to assist China and the Burma-Yunnan road was made in questions asked in Parliament recently.

Mr. Craven-Ellis asked the Secretary to the Oversens Trade Department whether he will state the details of the proposal that is before his Department to assist by export credits the sale of lorries to China?

Mr. R. S. Hudson: Certain proposals for guarantees in connection with exports to China are receiving consideration, but there are obvious objections to giving detailed information of such matters while they are under negotiation.

BURMA (ROAD BRIDGES)

Mr. Craven-Ellis asked the Under-Secretary of State for India whether it is inended that the bridges in Burma from railhead to the Chinese head of the Burma-Yunnan road are to be strengthened so as to carry 10 tons, and whether this work is now being carried out?

Colonel Llewellin: My Noble Friend is informed that all the bridges on the Burma side of the Burma-Yunnan road are already able to carry loads up to the loaded weight of the lorries which it is understood that the Chinese authorities at present propose to use.



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BOOK—REVIEWS

The Great God POWER

BERTRAND RUSSELL is the most beautifully lucid writer of English now alive. If he were not, he could not have made such a good job of his latest book, "Power, A New Social Analysis" (Allen and Unwin, 7s. 6d.).

Philosophic politics must of their very nature be extremely difficult to expound. The expression of original ideas in such a field becomes even harder—look, for example, how very hard Darwin and Marx, the two great nineteenth-century innovators in this field, are to understand.

Power is deceptively easy to read, but it remains a mental meal of some magnitude to digest, so approach it humbly.

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Mr. Russell's* main thesis is to prove that power—or the taste for it in man—is the basic dynamic of all social change. He rejects the idea that all things are explainable in terms of economics.

Economic Power is one of the varieties he analyses. But he ranks hereditary power, theocratic power and the power of ideas (such as that which Galileo has exercised over Western civilisation) just as high as causes behind the great visible changes of history.

This book, indeed, will act as an excellent corrective to those who are surfeited by a diet of the materialist view of history and ideas. "Economics as a separate science is unrealistic," complains Mr. Russell, "and misleading if taken as a guide in practice. It is one element—a very important element, it is true—in a wider study, the science of power."

The book also elaborates the conditions under which the pursuit and use of power may be beneficial to the community as a whole.

(1) Power must not be sought for its own end. It must be sought so that it may be exercised for another purpose.

(2) This end must be such that it satisfies the needs, aspirations or desires of other persons besides those who seek or use power.

(3) The search for power and its use must not entail means of such a nature that their evil overwhelms the good end to which the power once achieved is put.

In the light of Mr. Russell's analysis the history of the last few years takes on shameful and lurid colours. His powerful mind underlines for you—when you apply his reasoned conclusions—the present welter to which the wrong use of power is bringing what remains of civilisation.

This book gives you a new analysis of the dictatorships. On the other hand, it makes you realise that power based on propaganda and military sanctions is not the only or the most permanent, sort of power.

"It is not ultimately by violence that men are ruled," concludes Mr. Russell serenely, "but by the wisdom of those who appeal to the common senses of mankind, for happiness, for inward and outward peace and for the understanding of the world in which, by no choice of our own, we have to live." T. D.

* He likes to be called this. But his real style is the Earl Russell of Kingston Russell in Dorset, and Viscount Amberley of Amberley in Gloucestershire and of Ardsalla, County Meath.



FAITH.—A study of childhood from "Moods and Expressions," a collection of photographs by Torkel Korling (Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.).

New Novels

I WAS as sorry as a hardened reviewer will ever be when I finished **Flying Colours**, by C. S. Forester (Michael Joseph, 7s. 6d.). For here ends the salty, stormy and stupendous story of Captain Horatio Hornblower, R.N. And, apart from that saddening fact, the tale is as good as its predecessors, *The Happy Return* and *A Ship of the Line*.

Old man Hornblower is still as indomitable serious and unlucky as a sailor could be. True, he finally finds himself knighted, rich and applauded as a hero, with a prospect at last of marrying Lady Barbara. But he is more bewildered than elated, for prosperity and comfort never come easily to the Hornblowers of this world.

Mr. Forester's triumph is that he makes this inwardly complex though seemingly simple man as convincing as the exciting adventures which befall him while he is contending with Napoleon and the angry seas. I never once thought of questioning the historical accuracy or the physical possibility of his tremendous feats.

A robust, heartening, hurricane tale from a master yarn-spinner.

R. P.

BACK to LIFE

PERHAPS we all ought to have learned to "expect the unexpected" from Kemal Ataturk, Dictator of the New Turkey.

For at least twice he has come back to life when nobody thought it possible.

The first time was when there was a plot to oust him from the presidency.

Ataturk rose from what everybody thought was his deathbed and was lowered into his chair in the president's gallery from a stretcher.

"As he staggered up to speak," says John Grant, in Through the Garden of Allah (Gifford, 12s. 6d.), "the crowded house was hushed to silence. He spoke till late midnight, fainted, then revived.... He was elected unanimously, and borne to his residence in royal state as dawn was breaking."

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With the author as guide, we enter "the Garden of Allah" at the Golden Gate and wander leisurely through the Middle East of the Moslems, reaching the heart of Arabia and visiting mysterious, rock-hewn Petra, that rose-red city, half as old as time.

In his picturesque narrative will be found much that is uncanny.

We are told of fakirs who push skewers through their cheeks and swords through their necks without drawing blood, of dancers, frenzied with excitement, who pull their eyeballs from their sockets and put them back again, apparently without any ill-effects, of black magic too gruesome to describe.

There is, too, an illuminating and exciting chapter on dope smuggling, with adventures almost too strange to believe.

Travel with Mr. Grant is never tedious. And, maybe, writing of the lands of the Prophet, he is merely being prophetic himself when he heads his Palestine chapter, "Land of Peace."

H. G. P.

Are You Sure?

(Questions on Page 2)

1 Jack of trumps.
2 A mis-stroke.
3 Beer and gingerbeer.
4 Pardonable.
5 Meddlesome.
6 A white rose.
7 Litvinov.
8 Tomatoes.
9 One (the moon)
10 Washington.
11 Marc Antony.
12 Pharaoh.
13 None.
14 Be a leap year.
15 A curve.
16 Second (25 square feet)
17 Cingalese
18 One (Australia, Canberra).
19 Hospital.
20 Uncle (William IV)
21 James I (James VI of Scotland).
22 Half sovereigns.
23 Stepping out of the compartment first.
24 Famous wrestler.
25 Nine and a half.

Puzzle Corner Answers

Cryptogram: "Force may subdue, but love gains, and he who forgives first wins."

Form Puzzle: Garages, candy, ask, W, gem, early, vessels, (Answers).

Letter Changing: Rips, ripe, rive, rile, ile, till, tell, teal, tear.

What is the Number?: 30.

Biblical Characters: Abednego-Hebrew youth; Bartimaeus-blind beggar; Daniel-Hebrew prophet; Matthew-an Apostle; Solomon-wise ruler; Benjamin-son of Jacob; David-King of Israel; Boaz-husband of Ruth; Jacob-son of Isaac; Moses-law-giver.

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR SOLUTION

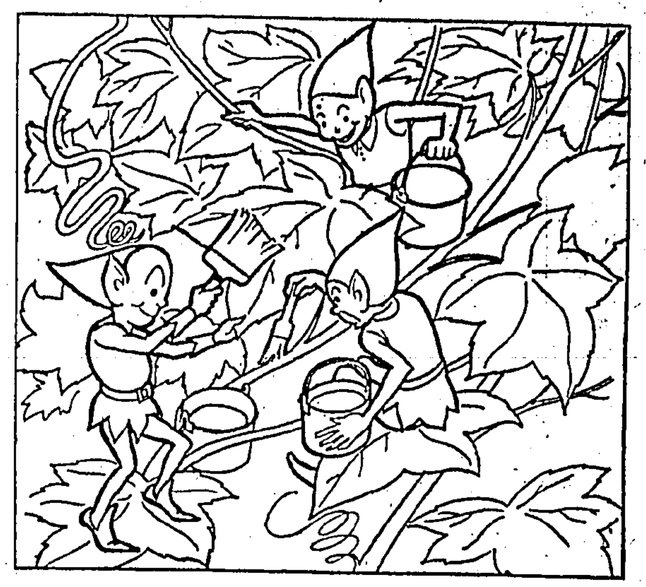
Orpheris, overlooking the fact that Gilbhouse was left-handed, had painted him with his brush in his right hand.

Voters Keep Faith

Omaha, Neb.

Voters have faith in George Brandeis, well-known Omaha merchant. For many years justice of the peace of Fairacres, Brandeis again was elected to that post—but he still has his first case to hear. After each election he neglects to post the necessary bond.

Girls' *and* Boys' Corner



This is all my own work

Address

Name Age

Dear Kiddies,

Although last week's "Leaf Guessing" competition was really very easy, I only received a few entries from the Juniors. The majority of entries from the Seniors and Intermediates were correct. The prize-winners this week are:—

Teresa M. Baptista (aged 12), St. Joseph's Bldg.

Ann Cullimore (aged 8), 26, Hankow Road.

P. Wong (aged 6½), 55, Jardine's Bazaar.

I am sending coupons to Teresa, Ann and P. Wong which I want them to bring to *Hongkong Telegraph* offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

Specially commended for excellent work are the following:

Seniors: Yvonne Shaw, Claude Choo-Kang, Paul Vessoona, Aida Castro, Jeannette Moorcroft, Daniel Choy, Sheik Ahmed Bux, Susan Gehring, Lydia T. Rozario, Betty Becker, Kenneth Wong, Maude Suen, Nuno Xavier, Oleg Julebin, Nydia Laurel, Stephen Mose, Wong Yung-taing, Mary Ann, A. Danilo ff, Sybil Rousseau, Eva Grady, K. Danilo ff.

Intermediates: Patricia Ozorio, David Asche, Daphne Griffith, Vivian Becker, Anthony Cutcher, Rita Gardner, Jean Hunter, Frankie Rocha, Rehmat Samy, Jeremy Bray, Ian Shaw, Jack Dobson, Teresa Marcal, Bertie Phillip, Ann Hunter, Sheila Helson, Phillip Gardner, Silmy Albers.

Stephen Mose: Thank you very much for your lovely drawing of Dopey, one of the Seven Dwarfs.

Yvonne Shaw: Congratulations on your twelfth birthday celebrated last week.

Lydia T. Rozario: Best wishes for your fourteenth birthday when it arrives.

This week, kiddies, we are having a new painting competition. There are three funny little fellows in the picture above. Perched there in a tree, they're busy painting the leaves those lovely shades of autumn reds and browns. All you have to do is to colour the picture in your best style with paints or crayons. As soon as this is done, attach the picture to a stiff piece of paper or card and fill in the name, age and adress coupon. Then post to Uncle Eddie, c/o *Hongkong Telegraph*, Wyndham Street, to reach him no later than 2 p.m. on Wednesday. Only entries from those boys and girls 14 or under will be considered.

Uncle Eddie

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HORLICKS

GUARDS AGAINST NIGHT STARVATION

Stalin To Purge Works Of Idlers

MOSCOW.

A decree tightening up the Soviet Labour Code, with the object of putting an end to loafing and absenteeism and checking the present excessive labour turnover, was signed recently by Stalin, his Prime Minister, M. Molotoff, and M. Shvernik, secretary of the All-Union Council of Trade Unions.

Managers of Soviet factories and offices have been ordered to dismiss workers absenting themselves from work, arriving late or finishing work too early three times in a month or four times in two months.

Workers must in future give one month's notice, instead of two weeks, and no worker may claim more than 20 days' wages if kept idle through the fault of his employers.

Only those who have worked for six years on the same job are allowed 100 per cent. accident or sickness pay.

For three to six years' work the allowance is 80 per cent. for two to three years 60 per cent., and for less than two years 50 per cent.

COAL-MINERS FAVOURED

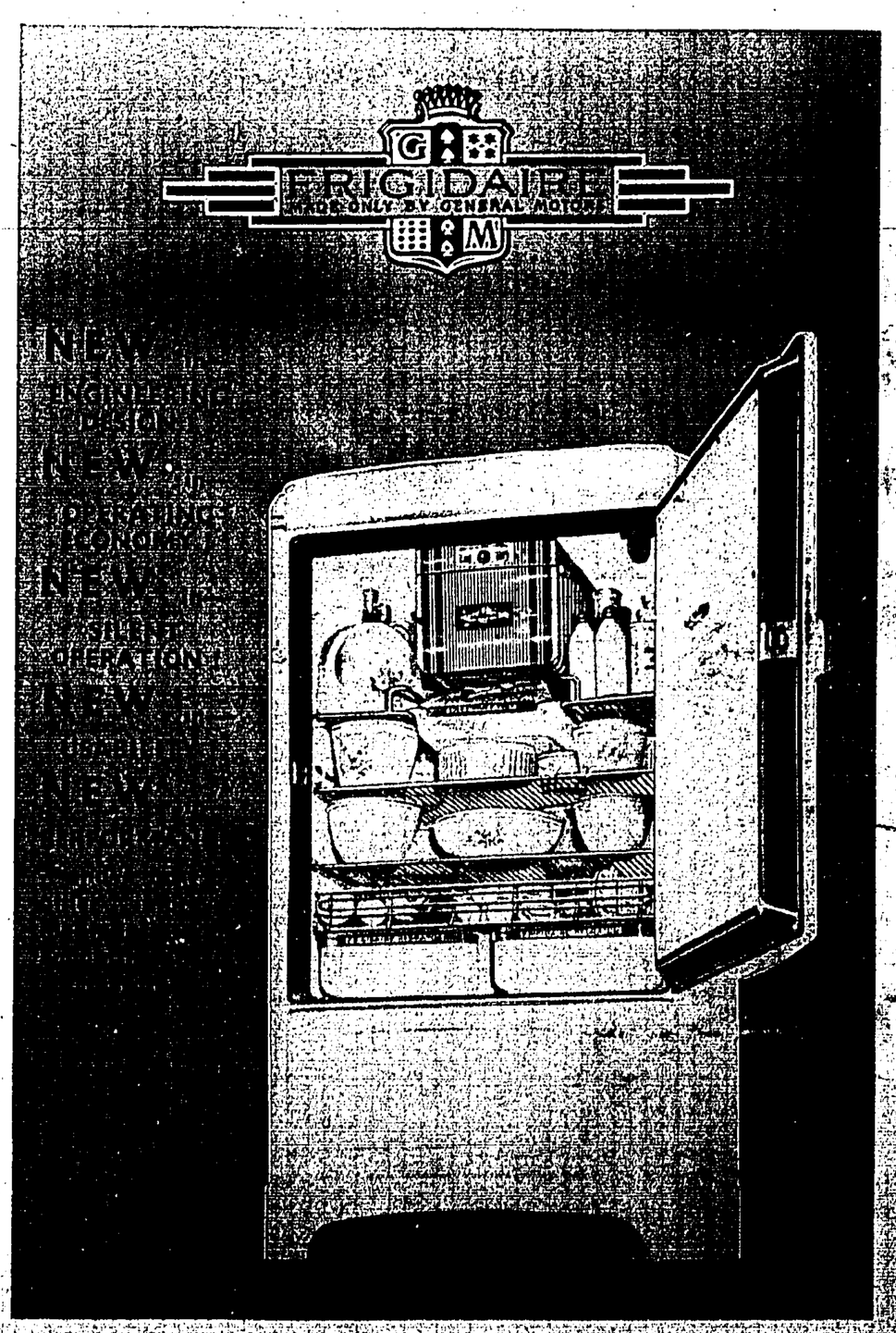
In the case of coal-miners actually working down the pit this scale is more liberal. Workers not belonging to a trade union get only half the above rates.

Those dismissed for breaches of discipline are not eligible for any sickness benefit until they have worked six months on a new job.

Workers occupying a room or rooms in any house belonging to or hired by a factory or State institution employing them may be evicted within 10 days if they leave or are dismissed.

"Motherhood leave" on full pay will be granted for 63 days instead of four months, and only women who have worked at least seven months on the same job will be paid it.

The preamble to the decree explains that while work in general is satisfactory there are a large number of loafers who cause a loss of millions of working days and thousands of millions of roubles annually.





CHRISTENING. Group photograph taken after the christening of Maureen Yvonne, infant daughter of Mr. J. J. Forster, of Taikoo Dockyard, and Mrs. Forster.—*King's Studio.*



RELIEF WORKERS. The above group photograph was taken recently at Un Long of the members of the Hongkong Chinese United Relief Association.—*Yuen Chun Studio.*

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FESTIVE PARTY. Members of the R.A.M.C. Military Hospital Sergeants' Mess and friends photographed during their New Year's Eve party.—*Ming Yuen.*



TENOVA SOCKS

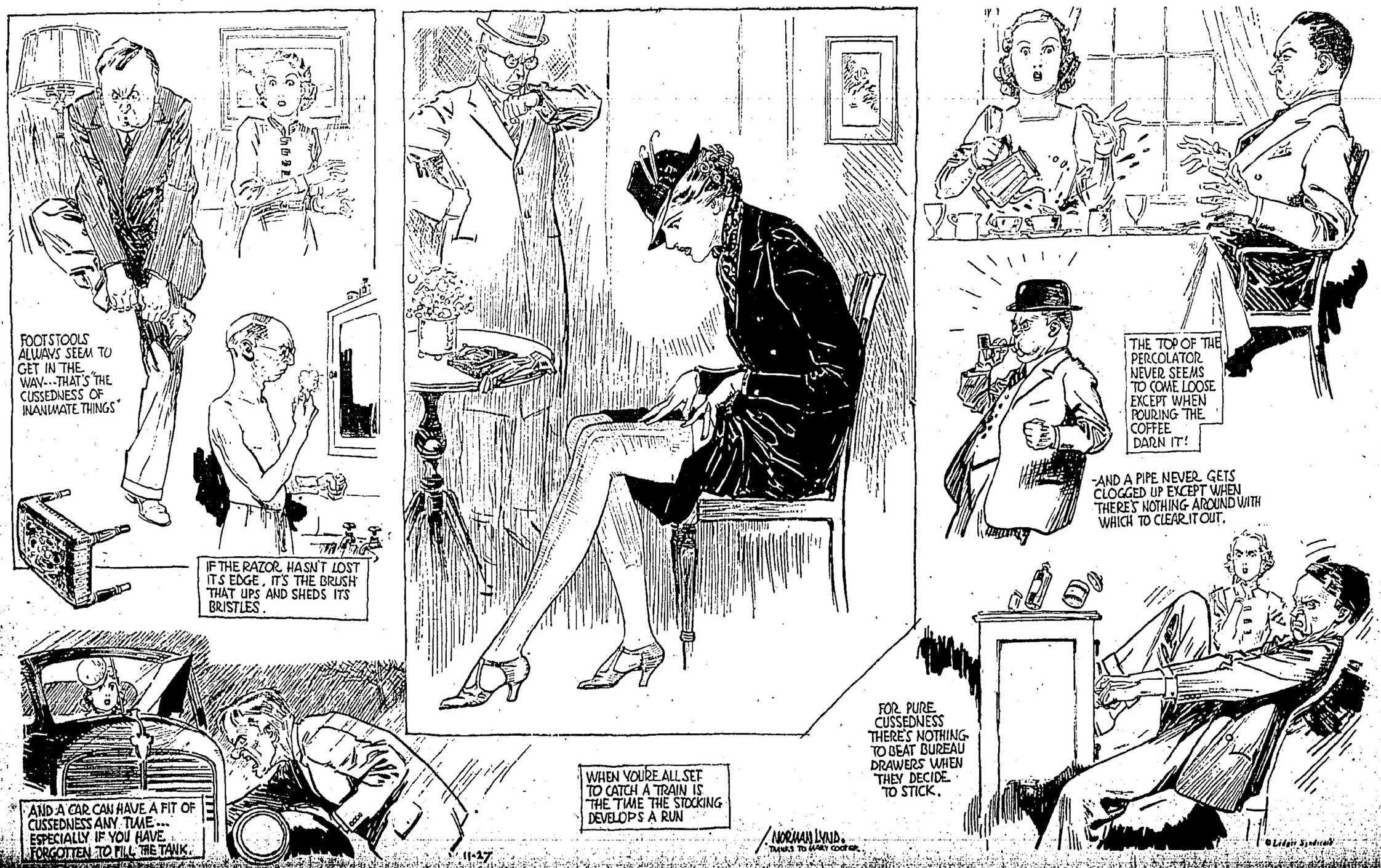
Men have welcomed the Tenova patent as the sensible idea it is. The sock has a band at the top which contains Lastex yarn, enabling it to cling comfortably and unfalteringly above the calf without pull or sag. Much neater. And, since the sock and its support go to the laundry together, much more hygienic.

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NAVAL VOLUNTEERS

Good Recruitment and Progress Reported at Annual Dinner

A spirit of progress was the main theme at the annual dinner of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force, held yesterday, on board H.M.S. Tamar, by permission of the Commodore, and attended by the Governor and Admiral Sir Percy Noble.

The considerable enlargement of the Force, and new courses taken by the personnel, were mentioned, and a tribute was paid to the real importance of the unit in the scheme of local defence.

It was also stated that H.M.S. Cornflower was succumbing to the influence of time, and would soon have to be replaced by a sea-going vessel if possible. The process of raising the status of the Force to a Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve would soon be completed.

Commander J. Petrie, Commanding Officer, presided at the dinner, and those present included: H. E. the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, Commodore R. R. McGrigor, Colonel N. M. S. Irwin, Hon. Mr. S. Caine, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Hon. Commander A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., Messrs. E. Cock, D. C. Edmondston, J. Barrow, Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, Mr. V. D. Sorby, Commanders H. T. Rust, W. P. McCarthy, H. M. Montague (Ret'd), Paymaster-Commander H. G. Oswin, Lieut.-Col. H. B. Rose, Lieut.-Col. H. B. Holt, Messrs. C. Champkin, S. Hampden Ross, G. W. R. McCammon, G. White, Lieut. Comdrs. J. O'B. Milner-Barry, H. G. St. J. Bury, D. V. Sprague, P. H. Matheson, D. G. Clark, Lieut. J. P. Gunner, Captain W. Whitmarsh, Captain S. H. Batty-Smith, Commissioned Gunner H. S. Cooper.

Commander Petrie said: The officers of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force have the honour to welcome their Honorary Captain the Governor, the Naval Commander-in-Chief, members of the Advisory Committee and other guests at the fifth annual dinner.

The annual dinner is a good time to look back on the past year. Three major issues stand out clearly from a routine background of general training, combined operations, inspections, ceremonial parades etc.—the first, the critical last week of September, the second, the expansion of the Force; the third, the condition of H.M.S. Cornflower. I propose to deal with these issues in that order.

In the critical last week of September the Force personnel was detailed for minesweeping, night patrols and examination Service in readiness for a state of emergency should it arise. It provided a test of the organisation which would mobilise the inner sea defences of the Colony.

At Full Strength

The season opened with the Force at full strength under the old establishment. With the expansion of the Force in view, an organisation schedule was prepared in which the entire duties of the H.K.N.V.F. in local defence were set out. From this schedule was computed the personnel required and, in October, the expansion was sanctioned. The new establishment provides for officers and ratings for minesweepers, patrol craft, examination service and a minewatching branch, and for the engineering, accountant and medical branches. There will be Seamen Ratings, Telegraphists and Signalmen recruited from British-born Chinese and Indians.

Fifty per cent of the additional requirements in officers for the executive branches has been enrolled. Seventy-five per cent. of the European personnel for the minewatching branch is in training and took part in combined operations in November. The response to the appeal for Chinese and Indian recruits possessing the necessary qualifications for the communication branch more than met requirements. The Force is now a composite unit capable of operating all branches allocated to it under the local Defence Scheme.

In the annual examination held in December, nine officers secured over 80 per cent. and qualified for promotion. Eight officers who secured 50 to 70 per cent. were confirmed as Cadets.

Keenness of officers is still further demonstrated by the fact that every year courses are taken in England by officers on Home leave. The subjects taken have been: Minesweeping, signals, wireless telegraphy, anti-gas, motor torpedo boats, torpedoes and mining.

Lieutenant-Commander R. J. Vernall was promoted in December. Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander S. Hampden Ross found himself compelled, for business reasons, to resign. Mr. Ross rendered valuable service to the Force since its inception, and I am grateful to him. Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander E. Grossman was appointed Accountant Officer.

Training Junior Officers

Training is afforded to junior officers as watch-keepers in motor torpedo-boats and, as can be imagined, this branch of training makes a strong appeal. More time has been spent at sea, but all in borrowed ships, and I am indebted to commercial companies for the loan of launches.

The Force has not yet a sea-going ship of its own, a ship capable of exercising at least ten officers and forty men in all executive branches concurrently with the minewatching branch on shore: in other words it is not possible to arrange a composite exercise with all branches of the Force operating together as they would in time of war. Authority has now recognised this need, and we take ecunsel from our Honorary Captain and "lift up our hearts."

When H.M.S. Cornflower was docked in December, defects were found in her keel-plate—fair wear-and-tear in a ship 22 years old. Temporary repairs were made, but it would seem that Cornflower's days are numbered unless repairs on a large scale are effected. This raises the question of the future housing of the Force. While Ship-Headquarters provide a valuable environment, the expense of up-keep and the hazard of typhoons are considerable. The Advisory Committee has the whole subject under consideration.

The condition of the Cornflower bears no relation to the fact that we are accommodated to-night, by kind courtesy of the Commodore, in H.M.S. Tamar. Increasing numbers overtax the limited accommodation of the Cornflower's quarterdeck, and I would like to thank Commodore Dicken for this further proof of his interest in us.

For co-operation and assistance rendered I would also like to thank officers of other Services who have come to the ship and given talks on many subjects, the Commodore and members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, the Missions to Seamen and employers of Naval Volunteers.

To Commodore Dicken and to Colonel Irwin we shall shortly be saying good bye. These officers will be remembered for the great interest they have displayed in volunteering.

I now propose "Our Guests," coupled with the names of H. E. the Governor, H. E. the Naval Commander-in-Chief and Commodore Dicken. (Applause).

The toast was honoured with acclamation.

Governor's Speech

His Excellency the Governor said: The Commanding Officer's report to which we have just listened contains much that is very welcome to our ears. In summing up the development of the Force during the twelve months under review Commander Petrie was able to use the highly satisfactory phrase: "The Force is now a composite unit capable of operating all branches allocated to it under the local Defence Scheme".

I congratulate the Naval Authorities of Hongkong and in particular the Commanding Officer of the Force and his staff on their having amplified and trained the Force to a point which justifies that statement.

I expect that the Commodore, whose name I see is on the speakers' list, will have something to say upon the degree of efficiency to which the Force has attained: so there is no call for remarks upon that subject from an untutored landsman such as myself. But I would like to take this chance of saying that I have every reason to think that the Naval Authorities' appreciation on that score is far from being low and that as your Honorary Captain I am very happy in that knowledge.

Your Commanding Officer has alluded to the lack of a sea-going ship and I will say at once that, landsman though I am, I need no convincing that such a vessel is an essential unit in a full naval volunteer training scheme. I will go further and admit that it was with very great reluctance that I struck out of the draft estimates for this year's provision for such a vessel: even so, that elimination was made with the express provision that Government would not necessarily wait a full year before giving the matter further consideration.

The only reason for that much-grudged decision rested on financial grounds and the need for caution in these dark and difficult times. The only undertaking that I will give in this matter—I am one of those who promise with difficulty—is that I shall review the question again during the next two months.

The type of vessel which we have in mind is one which could be used for carrying light-house supplies, as a typhoon tug and other local duties as well as serving as a training ship for the Force.

I am sorry to hear that the condition of the Cornflower is such that those aboard are liable to the perils of the deep, even at anchor. I shall await the advice of the Advisory Committee with interest and not without trepidation.

Having got to this point I am reminded that I am supposed to be replying to the toast of "The Guests". I fear that my remarks have scarcely been to that point.

On the other hand I have already spoken at far too great a length. I will therefore do no more than sincerely assure our kind hosts that we are extremely grateful for the hospitality and friendship showered upon us by them, and that we wish the Hongkong Naval Defence Force the very best of good luck in 1939. (Applause).

Nelson's Comment

The Admiral said: It is my privilege to have the honour of proposing the toast of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

It is a pleasant thing to hear such nice things said of Commodore Dicken—I am sure he has given to you the same measure of loyalty and support as he has always given us, and for me his going will be a very great loss.

The following verse was written some two hundred years ago:

"God and our sailors we adore,
When danger threatens, not before.
With danger passed both are requited,
God forgotten, the sailor slighted."

Whenever I think of a Volunteer Force, Nelson's comment comes to mind "One volunteer is worth ten pressed men."

Perhaps it is a sad truth that even to-day it is sometimes the case that only when a time of crisis arises or when a national danger looms ahead, do we turn with sincere relief and gratitude to the splendid body of Volunteers, who, from length to breadth of the British Empire, are there trained and ready to act immedintely—giving up their offices and their professions for the common good.

I am not being too generous when I state that these men are the backbone of the Empire. Thank God the Volunteer movement is spreading and growing under the wise guidance of such men as one always finds at the head of each local organisation; I see many in this Colony, headed by His Excellency himself. We are approaching steadily towards the completion of a gigantic and splendid result.

And where can you find a better example of all this than you who are here to-night and all that you represent in this far outpost of the Empire—your Cornflower, your keenness, your efficiency?

I congratulate you on your progress. I promise you any and every support which the Navy can give.

And we in the Fleet are proud to be associated with the Cornflower.

Your Excellency and Gentlemen, I give you the toast, "Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force." (Applause).

The toast was honoured with applause, and Commodore Dicken was called upon to speak.

Necessary Expansion

The Commodore said: As this will be the last annual dinner of the H.K.N.V.F. which I shall attend, and as I am, according to the Act, the advisor to H. E. the Governor on all your questions, I am grateful for this opportunity to thank Commander Petrie for his whole-hearted co-operation with me and to congratulate the Force on the great progress made during the time I have been in Hongkong and the measure of efficiency obtained, which is most satisfactory.

The necessary expansion in the Force indicates clearly in itself the need for your services, and I am sure your efficiency has been increased by the presence of a permanent officer instructor from the Royal Navy.

In September last we were faced with a crisis and it was then that the organisation of the H.K.N.V.F. was tested. The Royal Navy was actually mobilised and the next step to be taken was the calling out of your Force. Each one of you was earmarked for a duty and this, if nothing else, should bring home to you all the importance of each individual member to Colonial Defence.

Many members were told off for important jobs which I felt sure would have made them scratch their heads—well, this shows the importance of attending drills.

I wish the minewatching branch and the new communication branch every success. For the former we have installed in the Dockyard good instruction facilities. For both branches the response has been excellent.

The change of status to Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve is still not implemented, but the Bill is in draft and may soon be enacted.

Then members will even more fully be allied to the Royal Navy and form an even stronger link in Empire Defence.

The local Naval Defence Forces are now larger than before, as we have a division of destroyers and a flotilla of motor torpedo boats. These provide many chances for men who can get off for trips, but do not replace the necessity for a sea-going tender of your own, as they cannot be devoted entirely to your special training requirements. Now that the Cornflower will have to go, this training vessel becomes a vital necessity.

Finally I would stress the importance of Officer of the Watch duties and rule of the road in your instructions; it is vital to you and governs all the technical side of training.

I would associate myself with the toast proposed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief. (Applause).

Thanks Expressed

The Hon. Mr. Shields said: I wish to thank Admiral Noble and Commodore Dicken for the very kind things they have said about the Force. It is most gratifying to the Commanding Officer and all ranks, at the end of another year's training, to know that they continue to merit the approval of the Commander-in-Chief and also of the Commodore, who since his arrival in Hongkong has always taken the keenest interest in our welfare and training.

Commander Petrie has referred to the lectures and talks given by Officers in other Services, which are of the utmost benefit to our officers. In spite of all the "alarums and excursions" in a critical year like 1938 it is comforting to find that the High Command has been able to make these arrangements, and also to give so many opportunities for regular sea training in M.T.B's. and other ships.

In thanking Admiral Noble and the Commodore for their very kind remarks, I wish to express our gratitude for the great and active interest they take in our welfare. (Applause).

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

retecule	metallist
ambroseal	ameliorate
retena	scleroscis

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 13.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Medals And Decorations Presented Yesterday

Long and excellent records of service in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps were rewarded yesterday by the presentation of medals and clasps at the hands of H. E. the Governor.

A large number of officers and ladies attended the event, which took place in the open at the Volunteer Headquarters and was followed by a cocktail party in the Drill Hall.

Representatives of each unit of the Corps were drawn up to receive the Governor, who arrived at 5.30 p.m. accompanied by Lady Northcote and an Australian friend, Mrs. Wardle. Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith was in attendance.

Lieut.-Col. H. B. Rose, Commandant of the Corps, received the Governor. Col. N. M. S. Irwin, G.S.O.I., Lieut.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Mitchell and Lieut.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin were among those present.

The parade, under RSM. R. E. Slattery, stood at ease while His Excellency made an address before decorating the recipients.

He said: The number of medals and clasps that it is my privilege to present to-day, speaks highly in commendation of the Corps, but I should like to take this opportunity to express my personal satisfaction, as your Honorary Colonel, at the recent reports upon the Corps' efficiency and keenness which I have received.

Setting An Example

I offer my hearty congratulations to all those whom I am about to decorate. Such long and steady service is of immeasurable value to a Corps of this nature, both for the example which it sets within and for the attraction which it has, or should have, to non-members to join and to try to attain to similar distinctions.

I wish particularly to congratulate Major Jarvis on qualifying for the Efficiency Decoration and C. S. M. Bolt on gaining his second clasp: he is one of the oldest members and has over 32 years continuous service to his credit—a fine record. To another old member, C.Q.M.S. Millington, I offer mixed congratulations and condolences, the former on gaining the medal, the latter because the break in his service of over 24 years keeps him from winning a clasp: the same mixture is offered to Staff Sergt. Strange, whose 18 years of service is similarly broken.

There are at the moment only two points which I wish to mention in connection with the Corps in general. Firstly, recruitment: the increase in the non-Chinese ranks is gratifying so far as it goes, but there is still room for plenty more which I hope will soon be filled. The new Chinese Company and the Lyon Light Section shew great promise, I am told, especially when regard is had to the short time which they have had for training.

Secondly, the four-day camp: I learned with pleasure that this was a great success from the points of view of both attendance and the increased scope for training which it gave. I have little doubt that last year's experiment will become the practice of future years: furthermore I venture to express the hope that four days is to be regarded not as a maximum but as a stage towards even better things.

With that, I will wish you all success in 1939 and proceed to the real business of the day.

The Recipients

His Excellency then pinned their decorations on the following recipients:

CSM. T. Bolt.—2nd. Clasp.

Major S. Jarvis, M.C., E.D.—Decoration.

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FANLING LODGE PARTY

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will spend the week-end at Fanling Lodge, returning to Government House on Monday.

Colonel Sir Richard Needham, who arrived in the Colony last week in the course of a tour of British medical training institutions in the Far East, will go to Fanling Lodge on Sunday, and leave there on Monday.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

According to Pasteur and Chamberland, typhoid bacillus is in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred communicated through drinking water.

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Prematurely born and abnormally delicate infants are now supplied with artificial mothers of more than motherly tenderness. The apparatus, identical with the incubator or artificial hen for hatching chickens, is simply a large square box warmed by bowls of water beneath an inner bottom. In this, wrapped carefully in cotton, is placed the weak babe, so frail during its first few days that the open air would fatally chill it. With an even open temperature and a free circulation of warm air, secure from cold and dampness, and with careful feeding, the infant thrives and rapidly acquires health.

25 YEARS AGO

A rather amusing sidelight is cast on the British Board of Film Censorship, over which Mr. G. A. Redford, late Reader of Plays, presides, by the action of the Home Office in banning a "passed" film. The picture play in question deals with the escape of a convict from Portland, and the Home Office has informed the producers that if it is produced the films will be confiscated unless a great portion is cut out. Most people, we imagine, will be surprised to learn that Mr. McKenna's Department is invested with such powers of censorship.

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10 YEARS AGO

The British Foreign Office has received a terse official message from Kabul definitely confirming the rumours of the abdication of King Amanullah, of Afghanistan, in favour of his elder brother, Prince Inayatullah.

Amanullah, it appears, called his principal Ministers together yesterday, announced his decision, and afterwards flew to Kandahar, where his wife, Queen Souriya has been staying since the rebellion. The story was widely circulated throughout Afghanistan yesterday, but confirmation was not obtainable until this afternoon.

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The Great Hall of the University was crowded yesterday when a congregation was held. During the conferment of degrees, the undergraduates showed considerable enthusiasm, fire crackers being exploded at frequent intervals.

His Excellency the Chancellor conferred the LL.D. degree, *in absentia*, on Mr. R. F. Johnston and also the following degrees upon graduates:

Degree of Doctor of Medicine: Dr. Li Tsoo Yiu, M.B., D.T.M. and H.

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5 YEARS AGO

Nazi demonstrations were held over the country to-day, which marked the termination of the truce to politics maintained during the Christmas and New Year.

Herr Hitler met some of his oldest followers in ceremonies at Detmold.

Captain Franz von Papen went to Gleiwetz, where he joined in a spate of speech-making.

Captain Roehm eulogised Herr Hitler as a Second Bismarck, who has returned from the War an unknown soldier and had succeeded in planting a feeling of comradeship in the hearts of the entire nation.

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At the annual general meeting of the Europe-American Returned Students Union held on the 11th instant, the officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows:—President, Mr. Hinshing Lo; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Peter Sin; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Wong Mankwong; Committee, Messrs. M. K. Lo, K. L. Chau, Andrew Cheung and I. S. Wan.

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—It's Getting Cold

What's Wrong With Winter?

WHEN do you feel best-dressed, summer or winter? Personally I would plump for the soft, warm, furry fashions, collars that frame your face, colours that brighten your eyes, all the lovely, luscious velvets and brocades.

You can get a cut and a dash into good tweed or woollen stuffs that you can't hope for with light materials; they hang better, fit better. It is true, certainly, that thick materials must fit well to look good, but a plain cut should look after that.

It is a good idea, by the way, to have the bottom of your thick dress finished with a tiny turn-up and several rows of machine stitching; it looks slicker than a deep, bulky hem.

There is a lot to be said for high necks and long sleeves too; not many of us have the arms and necks to stand a lot of showing off.

Let your clothes *look* warm as well as *feel* warm; wear bright reds, purples, grape colours; ribbed sweaters, shaggy tweeds, furry gloves. And look your most appealing, particularly if you are small, snugged up in a fur jacket.

In fact, make the most of the winter, not the best of it.

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THESE new pyjamas are an American idea, guaranteed to protect you against short blankets, not-enough blankets, sliding mattresses, and slipping eiderdowns.

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When you are out of bed, the trousers blouse smartly above your ankle; when you are in bed, you put the frilled ends down over your toes.



Should A Man Knit?

Asks A Modern Girl

MY brother is an athlete; a large muscular young man without a spark of domesticity in his make-up. Yet he has learned to knit his own socks!

A very good job he makes of them too. He can turn a neat heel and graft a seamless toe with the best woman knitter in the world. On winter evenings, when we are all round the fire listening to the radio and he has just come in from the skating rink, he takes out his knitting and begins work like the rest of us. He will even do it in public, in a hotel lounge, in the reading-room of his boys' club, and nobody laughs! The idea of a man knitting may be funny to you, but the sight of it is not.

Indeed, since he started knitting my brother has begun quite a fashion among his friends. Knitting needles were treated as a joke first of all, then as a challenge. Now they are taken seriously. "If women can do it, why can't we? Let's have a shot at it anyway. I'll dare you to knit a pair of socks in the next six weeks!"

My brother, however, did not learn to knit as a joke. The "exercise" was prescribed for him by a doctor, when he suffered from a nervous breakdown. His nerves went to pieces, he could not be at peace, could not concentrate. Reading and writing proved hopeless; brain work quite out of the question. "Teach him to knit" said the doctor. "If more men learned a soothing occupation like knitting there would be steadier nerves in the world."

A Fascinating Business

So, despite laughter and masculine protests, he sat up in bed and struggled with the needles and wool. Socks were prescribed as something light to handle, simple, and monotonous. They kept his eyes and both hands occupied, forced him to sit still and keep his attention on something creative. From the start he was fascinated; by the time he had turned his first heel he was a confirmed knitter. Nerves calmed down and his general health improved. But he didn't give up knitting. It was a satisfying kind of job. He really liked it and he felt that as a spare time occupation it was definitely good for him.

If you think all that is funny and grotesquely modern, let me remind you that knitting for men is no new thing. Sailors and fishermen have knitted their own jerseys and socks for hundreds of years, and there is nothing effeminate about an old-fashioned sailor. Shepherds are famous knitters. In the long dark months of winter it is their most comforting occupation.

Many famous men, statesmen, writers and captains of industry have knitted their own hose; so have Empire pioneers, explorers, light-house keepers. The Chief Scout said that all boys should learn to knit. What a pity they don't. They miss a lot of real satisfaction, the sense of creating something useful, and the nervous soothing and mental rhythm that only knitting can bring.

W. B.

Brighter Breakfast

SCRAMBLED haddocks make a pleasant change for breakfast. They are prepared in the following way:—

Beat three eggs well, pour half the liquid into a soup plate and dip into it four thick slices of bread. Fry them golden brown in a little hot butter and put them in the oven or between two plates over boiling water to keep hot. Meanwhile flake a pound of smoked haddock, mix with the rest of the beaten eggs, fry in butter, and serve on the fried bread.

Fish sausages are unusual. Flake a pound of white fish finely, put it into a basin and add a teaspoonful of chopped parsley, a teacupful of fine breadcrumbs, and salt and pepper to taste. Add a beaten egg mixed with half a teacupful of milk, mix all together and form into little sausage shapes. Brush them with beaten egg, roll in crumbs, and fry rich brown in deep fat.

If time is short in the morning the sausages can be made on the previous day and fried when required. The same applies to oatmeal fingers.

To make oatmeal fingers, melt an ounce of dripping in a pan. Add quarter of a chopped onion and half a pint of water. Simmer the onion for ten minutes, then stir in two handfuls of medium oatmeal. Add seasonings and allow the meal to cook slowly until all liquid has been absorbed. Then spread it out to slightly more than half an inch in thickness on a large plate, and when cool cut into narrow oblongs. Fry in hot fat and serve with tomato sauce.

Breadcrumb omelettes are a change from the ordinary kind and more economical just now while eggs are dear. For one person, soak half a slice of bread in milk, mash it with a fork, add a beaten egg, and pepper and salt to taste. Fry in smoking fat, first on one side, then on the other, till nicely browned. Shape like an ordinary omelette when the mixture begins to set and serve quickly on a hot plate.

W. B.

Good Cooking Companions

BANANAS fried in the bacon fat make good companions for the morning rashers. Apples cut in rings are also tasty with fried bacon, and they are excellent roasted with ham in the following dish:—Arrange a layer of sliced ham in a piedish. Sprinkle with minced onion and brown breadcrumbs, and cover completely with sliced apples. Repeat these layers until the dish is three parts full, then put it in a fairly hot oven and leave for half-an-hour. Meanwhile beat two eggs, add two ounces of grated cheese and pour over the apples and ham. Return the dish to the oven until the cheese has melted and the eggs have set. They will take about ten minutes.

Fish and macaroni form another interesting partnership. Any sort of filleted white fish will do, but haddock is best because of the convenient size of the fillets. Allow 1 lb. to ¾ lb. of macaroni, which should be boiled in the usual way.

Place a dab of butter on each fillet, sprinkle with pepper, salt, and mixed herbs, roll up and stand on end in a casserole. Put the macaroni between the fillets and pour over the whole a beaten egg mixed with a gill of milk. Bake in the oven till the egg is set.

WIVES ALWAYS WIN!

Says A Husband

MY wife and I have just had our first real quarrel, and it was the most illuminating experience of my life.

That turbulent half hour taught me more about women (and wives in particular) than I had learned in all my previous, placid existence.

The quarrel started last night when I sat down to read the evening paper, and Joan started reading the riot act regarding husbands who think more about politics than they do of their wives' comfort and need of entertainment.

But the real cause went deeper than this. We had outgrown the first thrill of married bliss, and we had not been married long enough to have reached the stage of mutual tolerance which makes for peace and quietness in the home. Everything was just right for a good, hearty squabble to ease the tension in the domestic atmosphere.

The quarrel itself was a trivial affair, but the aftermath was disastrous, and I know now why the average wife invariably sets the bait to tempt her poor, unsuspecting husband into precipitating a squabble. I used to think that husbands acquired a peculiar form of docility after a year or two of married life, but I realise now that it is purely and simply self defence.

"A Quarrel is a Domestic Asset"

Women do not regard quarrels as emotional safety-valves. To the average wife, a quarrel is a domestic asset which she uses very profitably to the detriment of her husband's "boss-in-his-own-home" complex. She will dissect it, brood over it, and analyse it until she extracts the last particle of profit out of it.

The average man can indulge in an occasional bout of verbal fisticuffs and thoroughly enjoy it. He welcomes the opportunity of firing off all the witty sarcasms which appealed to his sense of humour when he heard them rolling off Jones's sharp tongue last week at the club.

After a squabble a man usually feels so pleased with himself that he jovially shakes hands with his opponent, and proceeds to forget all about it.

But what happens when a man has a quarrel with his wife? In the first place, it is ten chances to one that he gets a "raw deal." Being British, and a gentleman, he always allows his wife to kick-off first, and he listens patiently to the inevitable monologue about "making so many sacrifices for a man and see what you get for it."

The Advantage of Tears

When he thinks his turn has arrived his wife bursts into tears and the poor husband just stands there, feeling anything but a gentleman. He slinks off to reflect gloomily on his caddish behaviour, and to wonder, perhaps, about the unsportsmanlike behaviour of women.

But this moral victory is only the start of the womanly campaign. The next morning sees a subdued and wiser man getting up to make the breakfast, and for weeks he is treated like a convict until he has paid in full for all the things he did not get a chance to say.

Every quarrel has the same, inevitable ending. The husband is made to do all the household tasks he abhors until, finally, he realises that in verbal warfare wives always win. If he is wise he resolves, in future, to refuse to bite at the cunningly-laid bait and so prevent any further quarrels where his opponent is such an odds-on favourite.

A Sunshine Personality

"GOODNESS," you shiver, "just look at the awful weather. If only I were rich and could go away for the winter. But I've just got to endure the cold, and the depressing dampness until spring comes round again."

And you draw your chair up to the fire, and bring out your knitting, and make up your mind that everything is for the worst in the worst of all possible worlds.

Now, admittedly winter is not the most cheerful of seasons. But do you ever realise what an impression you create upon your husband when he returns home at night?

You have not bothered to put on a pretty frock. A visit to the hairdresser is long overdue. You have sat over the fire so long that your face looks like a very pink and shining apple. As for your expression—anyone would think you had forgotten that mouths were made to smile!

And you don't, or won't, cheer up. It is winter, so you have every excuse for looking as wintry as possible.

Or so you think. Actually, it is the very worst attitude you could adopt, because even if there is no sun shining outside, you can make sunshine inside.

A Powerful Influence

It is amazing how one bright person can cheer up everyone around her—yes, even the surroundings! She does not need to be pretty, or expensively dressed, but she has a pleasant expression, and has done her best to hunt up all her brightest clothes and wear them with an air. She does not sit around, but is up and doing all day long.

She knows how soothing a beauty parlour can be, and how attractive a shining coiffure. Even winter does not stop anyone from combining the two!

When her husband returns in the evening, he is immediately made to feel at home. His wife's gay chatter and the laughter in her eyes, quickly makes him forget the depression which is probably on the way from Iceland. Obviously it is not going to be allowed to penetrate his home.

The plain fact is, winter makes most of us too lazy to bother about our appearance or our home. Once you have conquered this inertia and really made up your mind to be a sunshine personality, the rest is easy.

If you don't believe me, just give the plan a trial for a day. Make yourself look as nice as possible, refuse to sit down and mope, and think of all the good times you have had in the past and will have again in the future.

No woman has any logical reason for letting the weather get her down. So face up to it, right now, and try the effect of a sunshine personality!

O. L.

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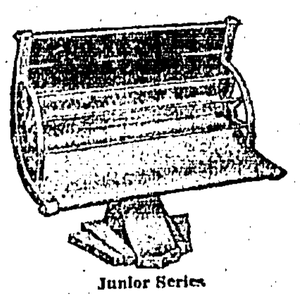


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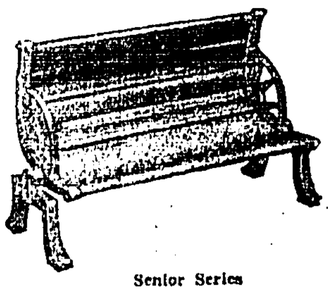
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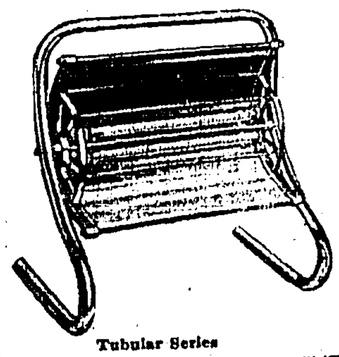
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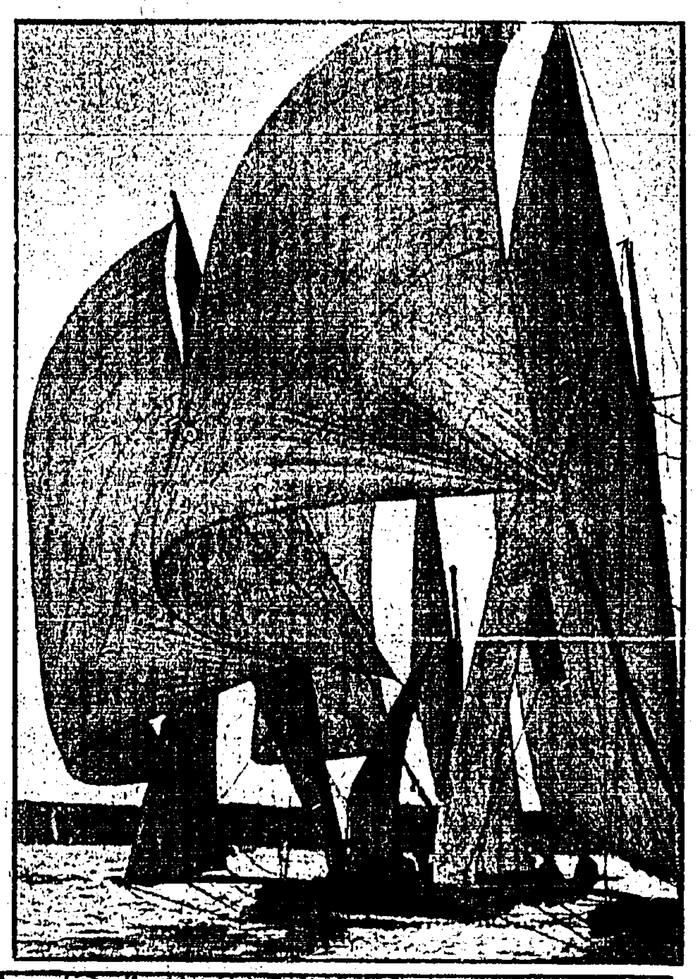
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HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE



Going With The Breeze

With their spinnakers set, 18 feet sailing boats wait on the line for the breeze to start them on a race in Sydney Harbour, Australia, when the yachting season was in full swing.

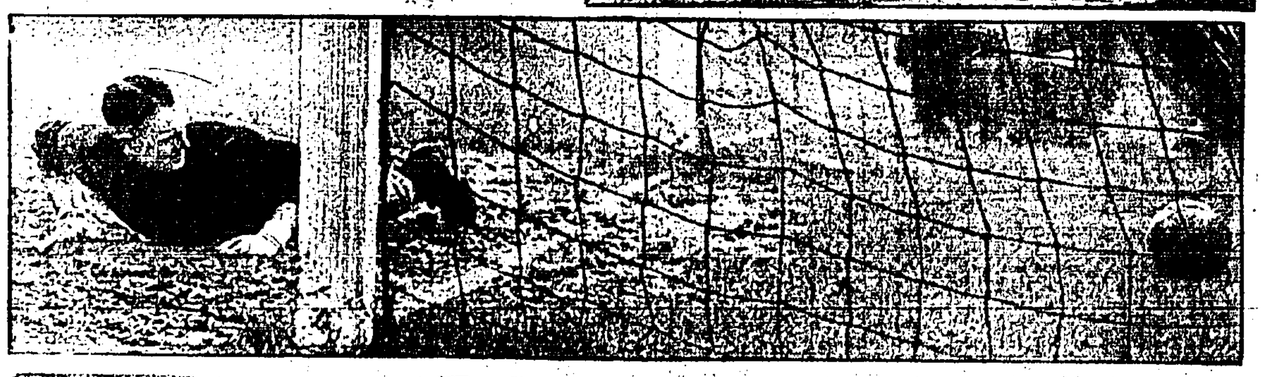


SEEKING REFUGE



These three children were among 130 refugees from Czecho-Slovakia who arrived in London recently aboard the S.S. Baltrover.

The German boys on the left are being trained as farmers at Hambledon, near Henley-on-Thames. It is hoped to settle them in the Colonies or the Dominions.





FIRST OF THREE — **Chesters, Crystal Palace goalkeeper, dived too late to stop this penalty kick taken by Bott during the first round F.A. Cup replay against Queen's Park Rangers at Shepherd's Bush. The Rangers won 3—0.**



TOM MIX, cowboy hero of more than 400 Wild Western films, and Tony his horse, welcomed by a huge crowd on arrival at the Ilford Hippodrome. He is making a personal tour.



NOW HE'S A PRINTER **George Formby comes "back to earth" at the Odhams (Watford) printing works during the making of A.T.P's new film, "Trouble Brewing." On the right he is seen going over the script with his wife, Beryl.**

Tongue-Twisters On Radio

A "tongue-twisting" match between England and America was broadcast on Christmas afternoon. Two families, each consisting of four members—father, mother, son and daughter—comprised the opposing teams.

One family operated in a studio of the National Broadcasting Company, New York, and the other at Broadcasting House. The players were asked, in turn, to attempt such phrases as "The Leith police dismisseth us," or "She sells sea-shells on the sea-shore."

The B.B.C.'s Scottish Regional centre introduced tongue-twisting contests as a change from spelling bees. P. I. Keith-Murray and Paul Ellingham, as the acknowledged authorities, will come to Broadcasting House from Edinburgh to be M.C. and "Chief Twister" respectively. Six phrases, unknown to either side, will be chosen.

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This afternoon practically 60 of the best rugger players in the Colony will meet to decide the winners of the first round of the International Tournament, beginning at 2.45 p.m. when England play Ireland and followed at 4 p.m. by the Scotland v. Wales match.

Both games will be played on the Army ground at Sookunpoo.

A notable absentee from the English side is Lieut. Elliot, who is an English Internationalist. In spite of not having this clever player aiding them to-day, the English threes are a powerful lot, having both speed and thrust; whilst in Askwith and Bidwell, England have clever players who will take advantage of any slip by their opponents.

The Irish backs will not have to be taken too lightly as the left-wing combination of Ellis and Kelly is speedy and very steady in defence. For Ireland, Drew Wilkinson makes a return to rugby after being out of the game for over a month through receiving a dislocated shoulder in the first Triangular Tournament game against the Club when playing for the Army. It will be remembered he scored a very clever try by his own effort just prior to being injured.

Talbot, the English scrum-half, will be without his regular partner in Elliot; so it will be interesting to see how he combines with Lang, who is a stranger to him on the rugger field.

The packs should be evenly-matched, but it will not be surprising if the rugged Irishmen prove superior in the loose, where many a game is won. Lt. Commdr. Browne, the Irish captain, has not played in the Colony yet, although he has acted as referee in more than one game. It is understood that he is a former Irish Internationalist.

FORWARD BATTLE

The Scotland-Wales match should produce a graund forward battle between two packs which which have plenty of dash. In Witherden, the Navy hooker, Wales would appear to have an advantage for the set scrums. Behind the scrums, Scotland have the steadier set of backs, amongst whom speed and initiative for movements are not lacking.

The pairing of Stewart and Grieve should spell the chief danger to the Welshmen. However, in Skelton, the men of Wales have a player who may prove superior to Hutchison, the Scottish stand-off half; that is, provided Webster, the Welsh captain, keeps Henderson, the Scottish scrum-half, in check.

Lieut. Lomax, the Welsh left-wing, will have to be carefully marked as he combines speed with a clever swerve. A Welsh team seldom fails to give a rousing display and it may be that their bustling play may flurry the Scotsmen and win the game.

TEAMS

Teams for to-day are:

England.—Lt. Stevens (Kent); G. K. Chadwick (Club), H. D. Bidwell (Club) (Capt.), P. O. Askwith (Dainty), Lt. Walters (Medway), Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Talbot (Medway), Spr. Appeley (R.E.), W. E. Peers (Club), Gnr. Evans (5th A. A.), Pte. Berry (Mdsx.), E. A. Bompas (Club), Lt. Ogle (Medway), Lt. D'Oyly (R.S.), J. Redman (Club).

Ireland.—M. W. MacGrath (Club); H. Van Leeuwen (Club), G. S. Wilson (Club), Surg. Lt. Ellis (Medway), Ldg. Tel. Kelly (Kent), Lt. Potter (Diana), Lt. Drew Wilkinson (R.S.), Pte. Boustead (R.A.O.C.), Lt. Cmdr. Browne (Medway) (Capt.), Pte. Richardson (Seaforths), E. W. Stout (Club), A. B. Thatcher (Eagle), L/Sgt. Page (5th A.A.), Lt. St. John (Medway), Mid. Carew Hunt (Kent).

Referee: Lt. Pirie.

Scotland.—J. T. Brown (Club); D. H. Stewart (Club), W. E. Grieve (Club), L/C. Boe (R.S.) F. O. Thomas (R.A.F.); J. Hutchinson (Club), J. R. Henderson (Club); Lt. Cuthbertson (R.S.) (Capt.), J. S. Dunnett (Club), K. A. Watson (Club), L/C. Sutherland (R.S.), Pte. Coombe (R.S.), Lt. Anderson (Medway), A. J. G. Taylor (Club), Lt. Crawford (R.C. of S.).

Wales.—Cpl. Lewis (8th Heavy); Bdr. Freer (8th Heavy), Gnr. Richards (8th Heavy), Mid. Fhley (Kent), Lt. Lomax (8th Heavy); Lt. Skelton (Medway), Lt. Webster (Medway) (Capt.); A. F. Walkden (Club), Mr. Witherden (Duncan), L/S. Romans (Eagle), Bdr. Bevan (8th Heavy), Lt. Boddington (Medway), Gnr. Hall (8th Heavy), C. R. Davies (Club), Bdr. Whitehead (8th Heavy).

Referee: Lt. Cmdr. Linton.

BADMINTON LEAGUE RESULTS

In the mixed doubles of the badminton league last night, Recreio beat Kowloon Tong 9-0.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat Mrs. S. Stephens and R. E. Lee 21-6; beat Miss Gonsalves and F. Tsang 21-10; beat Mrs. N. Castro and F. S. Ko 21-5.

J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro beat Mrs. Stephens and Lee 21-8; beat Miss Gonsalves and Tsang 21-11; beat Mrs. Castro and Ko 21-14.

L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro beat Mrs. Stephens and Lee 21-14; beat Miss Gonsalves and Tsang 21-13; beat Mrs. Castro and Ko 21-3.

TAIKOO v. UNIVERSITY

Taikoo lost to University 2-7.

R. Main and Mrs. W. Mackie lost to P. S. Yong and Miss U. Khoo 15-21; lost to K. L. Yong and Miss Hung 17-21; lost to P. K. Hui and Miss J. Chon 11-21.

D. Becken and Mrs. R. Main lost to Yong and Miss Khoo 4-21; beat Yong and Miss Hung 25-24; lost to Hui and Miss Chon 13-21.

A. Keown and Miss R. Summers beat Yong and Miss Khoo 24-21; lost to Yong and Miss Hung 12-21; lost to Hui and Miss Chon 12-21.

WRIGHT'S HAT-TRICK

East London, Jan. 13.

D. V. P. Wright to-day per formed the hat-trick when playing for the M.C.C. against the Border here to-day. The Border scored 121. Wright took four wickets in all.—*Reuter Bulletin.*



Boon hammering into Crowley on the ropes during their fight for the British lightweight championship last month. Boon won by a knockout in the 13th round and became a British champion at the early age of 18.

Here And There With "Abe"

Fine Football Matches For This Afternoon

NOT unnaturally, with the South China players away in Saigon, the local Football League has lost a bit of its interest; for there is no doubt that the Caroline Hill players provide quite the best football to be seen in the Colony. Nevertheless there have been a few fine games played during the last two weeks, and to-day's programme again promises to be an attractive one. The games in the First Division this afternoon are:

Navy v. Club (Causeway Bay)
Eastern v. Kowloon (Club ground)
Police v. Middlesex (Boundary Street)
Kwong Wah v. St. Joseph's (Kowloon)

On paper form, every one of these matches should produce good football as the teams are evenly-matched. Navy, perhaps, ought to beat Club fairly comfortably, but the sailors, in their last couple of matches, have not been too convincing, and they will have to look a little sharp to-day. The Police, of course, are an improved side and may give Middlesex some anxious moments at Boundary Street, while St. Joseph's, after their meritorious victory over the Navy in the Senior Shield, will start with plenty of confidence against their lowly-placed rivals, Kwong Wah. The match between Eastern and Kowloon would appear to be the most even of the day. The teams certainly are well-matched; both sides believe in speed and both sets of forwards are extremely fast. Kowloon have been strengthened by the inclusion, at wing-half, of Bell, the former Shanghai Interporter, who is now stationed in Hongkong. Bell, it will be recalled, came down with the last Shanghai team and was the only American of the side.

Boxing Phenomenon

LARRY Gains is one of the phenomena of the boxing world.



Larry Gains

At 37, when most fighters have hung up their gloves in graceful retirement, he is not only fighting fit but is still so good that he has been matched with Len Harvey for the British Empire heavyweight championship. He will meet the champion at Harringay on March 16. The fight itself, whatever the result, will be a tribute to two boxers who have left their 30th birthdays a long way behind. A former Empire champion, Gains has undoubtedly achieved a tremendous triumph for a man of his age. Good judges of boxing who saw him out-box young James say that the coloured Canadian was as fit and as skilful as he was when he defeated Don McCorkindale and Primo Canera years ago. And they add that on that form he will give Harvey plenty of trouble, with an excellent chance of regaining the title.

Not Unexpected

EVEN before they left the Colony, it was not expected that the tennis players representing Hongkong at the Far East tennis championships at Saigon would go far in view of the opposition that was to be met, and their early elimination from the tournament, therefore, did not come either as a surprise or a disappointment. It would not have been fair to them to expect anything more. None of the three—George Choa, A. E. P. Guest and Szeto Bick — would have got into the side had all our leading players been available. They merely stepped into places which by right should have belonged to others. By accepting the invitations to go to Saigon, they also relieved the Hongkong L.T.A., for it would have been discourteous to the Saigon authorities had their invitation been turned down, especially as they had offered such good facilities for the visitors. If foreign players have formed a false impression of Hongkong tennis, it cannot be helped. It certainly is not the fault of the players who are representing us at Saigon.

CRICKET PROSPECTS FOR WEEK REVIEWED BY "R. ABBIT"

To-day, so far as I can see, in the Senior Division, the I.R.C. are at home to Craigengower in a friendly. Recreio are at home to the Hongkong Cricket Club and I shall be interested to hear how the pitch plays. The Navy are supposed to be at home to the Civil Service, but so many injuries have been reported from the Civil Service team that I am afraid that only rather a weak side will go over. The Kowloon Cricket Club has a blank day on the home ground as far as the First is concerned, but the League match in the Second Division will be reported elsewhere. The Army first eleven have a blank day.

SECOND DIVISION

All are friendlies in the First Division, but in the Second Division the League goes on. Craigengower are at home to the Army and it should be a very close match. Recreio visit the Police, and my usual remarks about the Police may be considered as made,—that is—as regards Pope and Carey. The Navy visit Civil Service at Happy Valley and the home team will be strengthened by the inclusion of J. Barrow, who is very short of practice owing to the fact that he lives in the New Territories. On the K.C.C. ground, at home, the University come over to play them, and I think the home side will win. On the Club ground the I.R.C. are due to play the Club, but I very much doubt if they will be strong enough to pull it off.

On Sunday I see there are two games. The Volunteers visit Recreio at King's Park, and there again I think the home team will win. Besides this, Craigengower are at home to the Combined Schools—one of those excellent matches relying on local talent. I shall hope to give an account of these two matches, but in view of the cold which I have upon me at present, I am afraid that account may be somewhat blanketed literally, I fear!

YANKEES' OWNER PASSES

HEAVY LOSS TO BASEBALL WORLD

New York, Jan. 13.

The death is announced of Colonel J. Ruppert, American multi-millionaire and famous in the sporting world as the owner of the New York Yankees, world's champion baseball outfit.

Colonel Ruppert, who was 71 years of age, had been ill for many months. He suffered from a complication of diseases arising out of an attack of phlebitis last April.

It was Colonel Ruppert who paid U.S. $125,000 for Babe Ruth, whom he bought from the Boston Braves as a pitcher, and made him into a $80,000-a-year batsman.

Ruppert's baseball properties are estimated at over $15,000,000 and his total estate between $70,000,000 and $100,000,000, making him one of the richest men in the United States.

It was one of his greatest regrets that he was unable to be present to see the Yankees win their third straight success in the World Series last season; but he sat up in bed to listen-in to the ball-by-ball description of play.—*Reuter.*

BABE RUTH BETTER

New York, Jan. 13.

Babe Ruth, who was removed to hospital earlier this week suffering from a slight heart attack, is now better and has left hospital.

Ruth lost 30 pounds in weight in six weeks through an excessive reducing campaign in which innumerable rounds of golf and constant gymnasium exercises were included. This is believed to have affected his heart.—*Reuetr.*

TOM FARR MADE NO ALIBI

New York, Dec. 17.

"I haven't any alibis," said Tommy Farr after his defeat on points by young Lou Nova in their fifteen-rounds fight at Madison-square Garden last night. "I was fairly beaten," he added.

Farr was depressed that the fight on which he had counted to put him back among the leading contenders for the world title had ended in defeat. But he took a bitter disappointment without the excuses and protests which are almost part of the stock-in-trade of defeated heavy-weights, and paid a gallant tribute to the victor.

Farr does not intend to surrender. "Now," he said, "I'll tour the country fighting every couple of weeks. I've been out of the ring too long. I haven't had a fight since last March, when I met Max Baer."

Battered and disillusioned, Farr must be thinking that Dame Fortune played a scurvy trick on him, writes *Reuter's* Special Correspondent.

LEFT HOOK DID IT

A left hook to the jaw in the fourteenth round, up to which point he had victory within his grasp, was responsible for sending Farr toppling down the rickety ladder of fistic fame.

Farr, after a slow and cautious start, began to wear his man down, and he appeared to be on top when Nova, in sheer desperation, fought like a wild man. He rushed in madly with arms flailing, and there was undoubtedly an element of luck about the blow which sent Farr staggering across the ring.

Farr, tough as he is, never recovered from that blow and Nova, realising that he had his man at his mercy, went punch-crazy.

When he had Farr reeling and tottering drunkenly against the ropes, unable to defend himself, the crowd roared to the referee, Eddie Joseph, to "stop it."

GAME TO THE END

The courage which endeared Farr to the American fight "fans" in his previous fights was again very much in evidence. It was sheer "guts" that kept him on his feet.

It is probable that Farr's pluck, which had done much to erase the "horizontal champion" taunt, made him far more popular with the crowd than if he had won the decision.

K.C.C. TOURNEY

Kowloon Cricket Club will hold an American mixed doubles tournament on the progressive system to-morrow at 2.30 p.m.

Police Team To Pay Visit To Macao

The Hongkong Police are sending a strong hockey team to Macao to-morrow to play against the redoubtable Macao XI. The Police are looking forward with confidence having a good game. Incidentally, they beat Macao last year.

The team is as follows:

J. E. Jessop; B. Sullivan, B. 103; D. Brown, T. Parker, J. Jackson; B616, G. S. Wilson (capt.), B293, T. Wall, B799.

L. C. Pennell is accompanying the team as manager and umpire.

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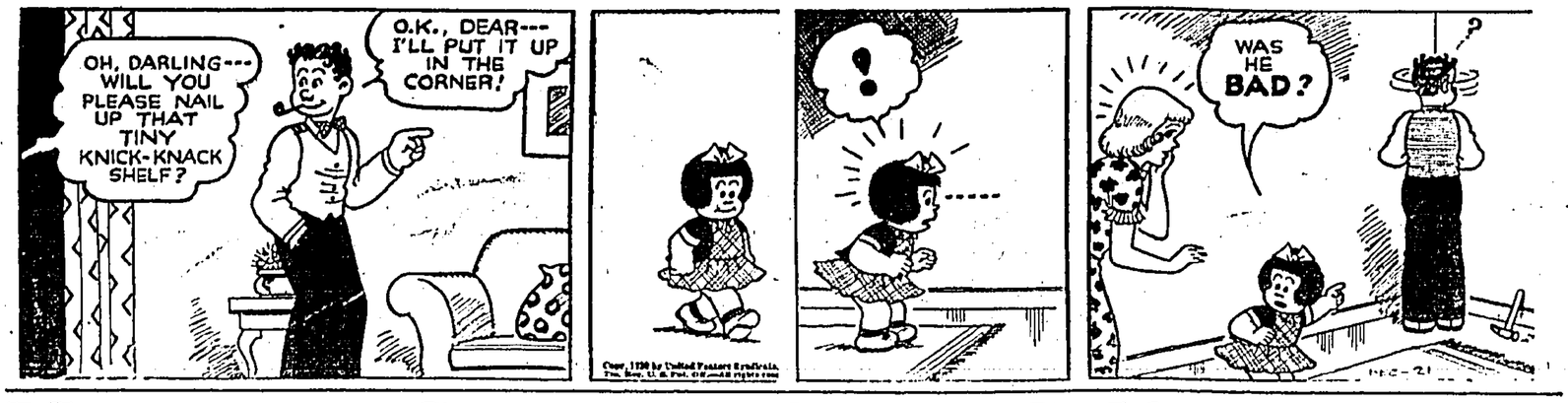
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NANCY By Ernie Bushmiller



Montague Suggests Open Golf Tourney For Hongkong

Such An Event Would Be Popular, He Says

If not this year, then next year Hongkong may see Mr. John Montague, American professional golfer, in an exhibition round featuring such peculiar "sticks" as a rake, a shovel, and a baseball bat.

When he arrived by the President Cleveland from Manila yesterday, Mr. Montague said that he would even cancel his departure by that vessel this morning if there was a good chance of staging such a professional exhibition in Hongkong. However, he certainly hoped to include Hongkong in his schedule next year, when, war conditions permitting, he would carry through an itinerary of matches in the East with many engagements in Japan.

In his novelty shots Mr. Montague uses the baseball bat as a driver, "teeing-off" by tossing the ball into the air and striking it. He uses the shovel along the fairway, achieving some neat chip shots with it, and the rake is his putter.

Mr. Montague is returning from the Philippines, where he took part in the open golf tournament. He was delighted with the experience, commending the conduct of the tournament and the excellent treatment given the visiting golfers.

"When you consider that 94 players took part, you will realise that it was a show that would have done credit to a much bigger place," he said. "If the suggestion to increase the prize money from 10,000 pesos to 10,000 gold dollars is adopted, the tournament will draw a big attendance of United States professional golfers next year.

Hongkong Should Enter

"I am surprised that there is not more interest in the tournament in Hongkong and in the East generally. Along with the professional prizes such splendid cups are offered for the amateurs that, particularly from a place as near as Hongkong, the tournament should draw a big entry.

"My own experience on this trip has been such a pleasant one that I feel it would be a good thing if Hongkong also organised an open tournament. This would permit golfers to do an eastern tour, taking in Japan, Hongkong, and Manila. My experience is that such a tour would achieve immense support, increasing the popularity of both golf and eastern places."

Mr. Montague states that he has been offered a game with the son of the Emperor in Japan. This may be the only interruption in his journey to Honolulu, where he is to play a match on January 26. A round of American engagements follows.

RACING AT FANLING

Entries And Handicaps For January Meeting

The following are the events, entries and handicaps for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club meeting at Kwanti on January 22, the first race starting at 2.30 p.m:

The Hunters' Hurdle Race, Division B, 1¼ miles. A hurdle race for China ponies, *bona fide* hunters. Owing to the large number of entries received for the Hunters' Hurdle Race, the Stewards have decided to run the Race in two divisions, which have been drawn as follows: Arabian Cat, Canary, Herga, Malolo, Merry Jester, Rexiana, Silver Fox and The Gawk.

The San Wai Steeplechase, 1½ miles. A handicap for China ponies.—Clowner 156, Diogenes 165, Double Chance 160, Ebony Idol 165, Estover 165, The Gawk 145, Three Farthings 152 and Zero 161.

The Hunters' Hurdle Race, Division A, 1¼ miles. A hurdle race for China ponies, *bona fide* hunters.—Chiu Shan, Jack O'Lantern, King's Parade, Mortmain, Pinforthings, The Bogie (late Wonderful Chivalry) and The Minx.

The Shatin Handicap, 6 furlongs. A flat race for China ponies classified on December 21, 1938, as "E" class, and 1938 subscription griffins of the Hongkong Jockey Club that have not won more than $1,000.—Cuban Love 155, Heriot 161, Lancashire Chap 158, Mac's Second Venture 140, March Brown 161, National Dignity 149, Stymie 168, Wenning 161 and Yum Sing 153.

The Relief Cup, 1 mile. A handicap flat race for China ponies classified on December 31, 1938, as "D" class.—Coronation Day 155, Final Triumph 155, Flybynight 147, Gold Sovereign 151, Good Morning 144, Meteor 147, Plain View 160, Racing Boy 155, Royal Highness 158, Sylvandale 146, Tabby Cat 147, Tempest 142, The Leopard 148, Tribute 155, and Wenning 140.

The New South Wales Handicap, 13/4 miles. A steeplechase for Australian ponies.—Brutus 168, Glorious Star 164, Helga 152, Iroquois 152, Kiola 146, Salazar 145, Sea Urchin 152, Soldier of Scotland 152, Spark Plug 160, Spectrum 158, Strathcarrick 158, Streamline 160, Trojan 152 and Teviotdale 158.

The January Consolation Scurry (Unofficial), ½ mile. A flat race for China ponies that have started at this meeting and not been placed 1st or 2nd. Winner of the December Consolation Scurry barred. Catchweight 100 lbs. Post entries.



Douglas Scott and Rose Stradner in "The Last Gangster," showing at the King's Theatre to-morrow.

RELIEF FUND GROWS

London, Jan. 13.

The British fund for the relief of distress in China now amounts to over £163,000.

Mr. Gordon Thompson, secretary of the fund, states that donations continue to come in steadily, but the need for the fund grows greater.—*Reuter.*

GAYNOR TO MARRY

New York, Jan. 13.

Janet Gaynor, famed film star, who made her reputation in the films "Seventh Heaven" and Sunnyside Up", and Gilbert Adrian, well-known Hollywood costumier, admit that they are engaged to be married.—*Reuter.*

JOINS EDUCATION BOARD

Captain Frank Sale, Army Educational Corps, has been appointed a Member of the Board of Education as from January 6.

OFFER FOR FAMOUS HORSE

New York, Jan. 13.

Mr. Samuel D. Riddle revealed that Mr. Louis B. Mayer, the movie magnate, has offered $1,000,000 for the famous horse, Man-O-War. This is the largest offer in racehorse history.

Despite the fact that the horse is 22 years of age, Mr. Riddle refused the offer.—*United Press.*

FAVOURITE FOR DERBY

London, Jan. 13.

Foxborough II, owned by the New York banker, William Woodward, was established favourite for the Derby in the first call-over to-day, being quoted at 11 to 2 for the race at Epsom Downs on May 24.—*United Press.*

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Hockey

KUMAONS BEAT CLUB WITH EASE

Club seconds were beaten 5-0 by the Kumaon seconds at hockey on the Marina ground yesterday.

The Kumaons had several first division players in their team, Partaub, interporter being one of them.

Early in the first half, Malk Naval Singh netted for the Kumaons, and soon after the lead was increased by goals from Locke and Partaub. In the second half the game was very one sided, Kumaons having the better share of the exchanges. Locke and Partaub again netted.

LADIES' TEAMS CHOSEN

The following will represent C.B.A. Ladies in a Caer Clarke Cup hockey match against St. Andrew's Ladies, at 2.45 p.m. to-day, on the C.B.A. ground:

D. Moss; B. Parsons, P. Whitley; J Booker, I. Woolley, P. Everest; J. Ewing M. Booker, M. White, B. Stoker D. Hunt.

The following will represent C.B.A. Ladies in a Brawn Cup Fixture v. Recreio "B" at 4 p.m. to-day, on the C.B.A. ground:

P. MacFayden; L. Dunn, V. Beaumont; B. Louis, C. Bone, N. Duckworth; E. Hunt, K. Winch, E. Woolley, M. Parsons, J. Crawford.

St. Andrew's Team

The following will represent St. Andrew's in a Caer Clarke hockey match against the C.B.A. to-day at 2.45 p.m. on the C.B.A. ground:

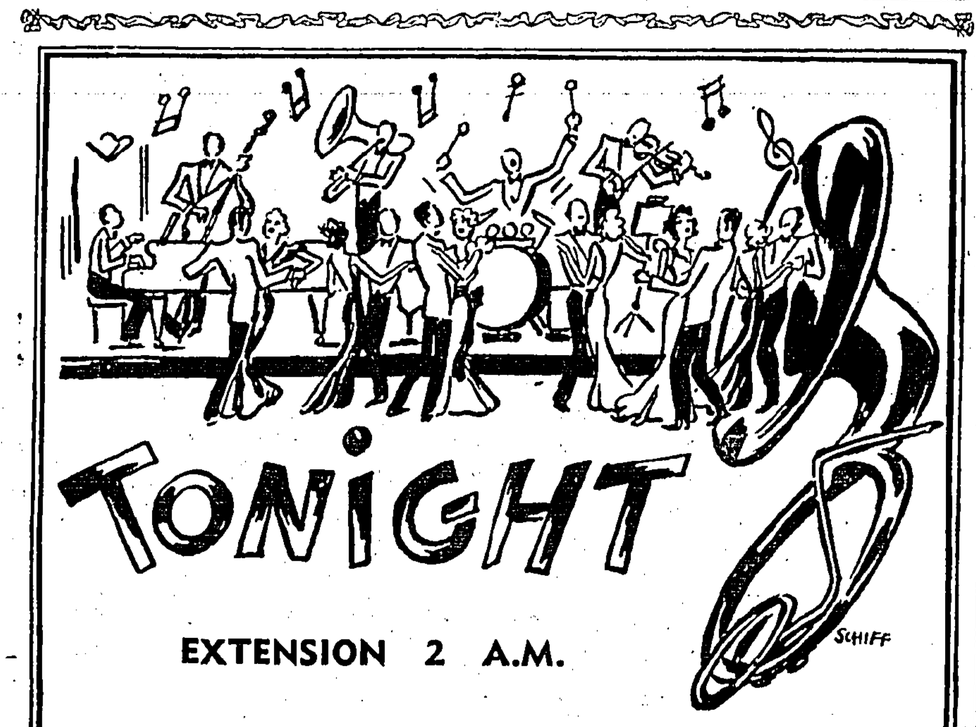
J. Hall; G. White and M. Roza; P. Petitgura, J. Wong, H. Reid; F. Wong, E. Churn, P. Gittins, A. Greiner and I. Gittins.

The following will represent St. Andrew's in a Brawn Cup hockey match against the C.B.S. to-day at 3 p.m. on the C.B.S. ground:

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CHINA AND RUSSIA

Dr. Sun Fo Explains Chungking Policy

Chungking, Jan. 13.

China's diplomatic policy is to join hands with Great Britain, the United States, France and Soviet Russia, declared Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan. There was no contradiction in China befriending Soviet Russia and at the same time Great Britain, the United States and France, he said. In fact, that is what Soviet Russia would like China to do.

"Soviet Russia has told us that she hoped China would not solely expect help from her. If, without reaching a common understanding with Britain, the United States and France, Soviet Russia volunteered to help, it would afford the Japanese militarists a chance to tell their people and the world that the Japanese campaign in China was to fight Communism. At the same time, the Japanese militarists would be sure to tell the world that since Soviet Russia was fighting side by side with China she must be trying to Bolshevize China."

"If that be the case," Dr. Sun added, "it would give the Japanese warlords an ideal opportunity to spread malicious propaganda. It would also arouse unnecessary misunderstandings and misapprehensions in Great Britain, the United States, and France, particularly Britain which has vital commercial interests in China.

Mutual Assistance

"As a friend, Soviet Rusia really wants China to become strong and prosperous, and she has no ambition to proclaim hegemony over the Far East."

Regarding Russia's observation on the ultimate result of the Sino-Japanese war, Dr. Sun said that she has every confidence in the eventual triumph of China. Russia's observation is based on her own experience after her October Revolution. Comparing China's present plight with the innumerable difficulties Soviet Russia had to face then, China's problem is much simpler for her only enemy is Japan.

Before July 7, 1937, Dr. Sun revealed, M. Dimitri Bogomoloff, the former Soviet Ambassador to China, discussed the question of Soviet aid to China and brought up three proposals: (1) that China convoke a Pacific Peace Conference, (2) that China and Soviet Russia conclude a non-aggression pact, and (3) that China and Soviet Russia enter into a mutual assistance agreement.

Moscow's proposals were studied by the Chinese authorities who were of the opinion that a Pacific parley would not be of much use since Japan was bound to oppose the idea, which view was subsequently communicated to Soviet Russia.

Concerning the second point, the Sino-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact was duly signed in August, 1937. However, negotiations have not been started yet for the conclusion of a Sino-Soviet Mutual Assistance Agreement.—*Central News.*

Social Items

His Excellency the Governor will preside at the annual prize-giving at La Salle College on Monday at 4.30 p.m. Lady Northcote will distribute the prizes.

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An official dinner will be held at Government House on Wednesday.

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His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, accompanied by a party, will be present at the concert given by Miss Barbara Gilmar, soprano and European operatic star, at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday at 9.30 p.m..

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His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, President of St. George's Society of Hongkong, and Mrs Dodwell, on Friday at the Peninsula Hotel, and will later attend the annual Ball of the Society.

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The Children's Class of the Hongkong Reel Club commenced yesterday evening at the Union Church, Kennedy Road. These classes will be held every Friday evening from 5.30 to 6.30.

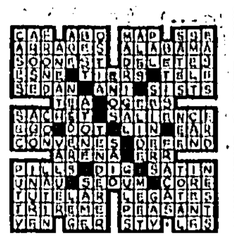
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Quarter-round
6—Bring together
11—Signaling device
12—March the sixth
13—Prefix: from
15—I would
16—Wet soil
18—Sodium
19—In respect to
21—War-hammer
23—Inner diameters
25—Husband (French)
27—High card in poker
28—Wanted
30—Lair
31—Until
32—Common saltwort
33—Turns to right of driver
35—One
36—Finds support
38—Type of cloth
40—Take sustenance
41—South American city
42—Born with one
46—Rosary
50—Azure (heraldic abbr.)
51—Birds widely
52—Preen
53—Harmony
54—Eccentric and rotating part
56—Disdain with defiance
58—First name of hero of "The Forty Thieves"
59—Native of Asia Minor
61—Gracious
62—That is now present
63—All correct (abbr.)
64—Amounting to
66—Kind of whisky

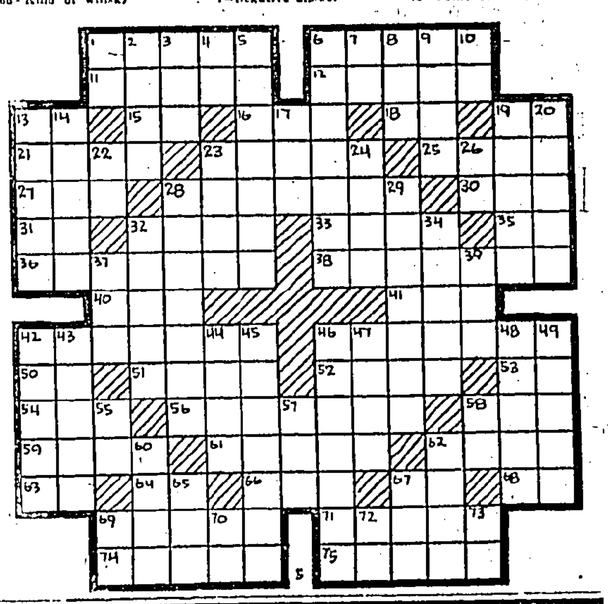
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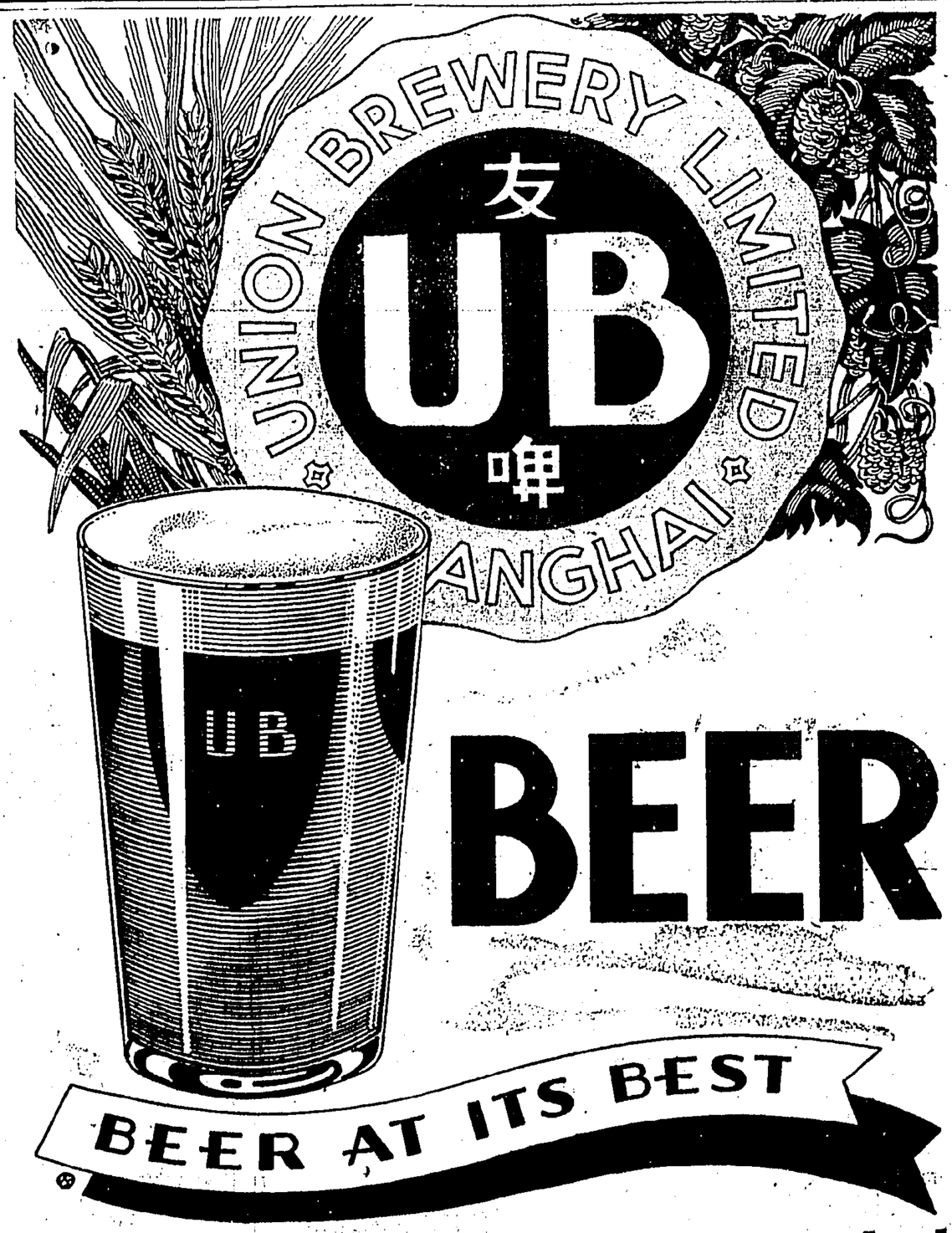


67—Geologic prefix, indicating dawn of epoch
68—Point of compass
69—Mentally inclined
71—Eagle's claw
74—Came to end
75—Fashion

DOWN

1—Prefix: latin
2—Face covering
3—Elderly
4—Low Latin (abbr.)
5—Process of slow mixing through membrane
6—Rear up under
7—Negative answer
8—Hotel
9—Horses in harness together
10—Plural suffix
12—Kind of violin
14—Great English philosopher (died 1626)
17—Swiss canton
19—Mountain nymph
20—Fish-like
22—French masculine article
23—Form of trouser support
24—Prophet
26—Public notice (col.)
28—Cowardly
29—Lower
32—River (Chinese)
34—Goes to see
37—Transmit (Scottish)
39—In no way
42—Tree, producing chocolate
43—Name of mountains in Oklahoma
44—Fastens by flexible bond
45—Guaranteed
46—Ornamental shrubs
47—Location
48—Chief of Jinns
49—Elevate
50—Mother
57—Compensate
58—Exclamation
60—Storehouse for hay
62—Implement
63—Pay (Scottish)
67—English city
69—Presiding Elder (abbr.)
70—Neon
72—Up to
73—Point of compass





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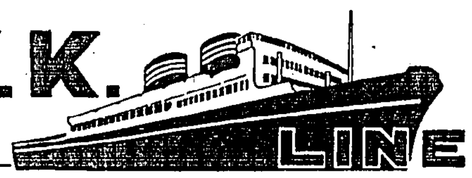
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H. K. T.

12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

Please Remember (Denby-Watson); My Gypsy Dream Girl (film 'Command Performance'); Singing For You (Hackforth); Paris is Not The Same (Strachey).

12.42 Hawaiian Music.

Honolulu March; Kohala March....Frank Ferera and John K. Paniuhi (Hawaiian Guitars); Papalina Lahilahi (Noble); Haleiwa (Woodd)....Ray Kinney with Dick McIntire's Harmony Hawaiians; My Tane—Hawaiian Novelty (Gump and Noble)....Andy Iona and His Islanders with Vocal Quartette.

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Old Time Songs and Melodies.

Lily Of Laguna; Waiting At The Church; Barn Dances The Veleta (Morris)....Billy Merrin And His Commanders; The Family Song Album; Intro: Little Annie Rooney; Tara-ra-boom-de-ay; Man Who Broke The Bank at Monte Carlo; Let's All Go Down the Strand; If You Were the Only Girl in the World; Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-Wow; Play to Me, Gypsy....Hughie Green and His Gang with Piano; Temptation Rag (Lodge); Whistling Rufus (Mills)... Raymonde and His Band O' Banjos; Savoy Southern Memories; Intro: Uncle Ned; My Old Kentucky Home; Massa's in de cold cold Ground; Who's dat a-calling; Carry Me Back to Old Virginie; Swing Low, Sweet Chariot; Camp Town Races; Deep River.... Debroy Somers Band, with Male Chorus; Talking Film Memories; Intro: Mandy; I think I can; A needle in a haystack; O-kay Toots; If I had a million dollars; Pop goes your heart; Spread a little happiness....Salon Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Ave Maria (Schubert, arr. Willoughby); Spring Song (Mendelssohn, arr. Willoughby); Andante Cantabile (Tschaikowsky, arr. Willoughby); The Wedding Of The Rose (Jessel, arr. Willoughby); Hearts and Flowers (Toban, arr. Willoughby); Phantom Minuet (Hope); Souvenir (Drdla, arr. Willoughby); Valse Bluette—Air De Ballet (Drigo); Narcissus (Nevin).

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—One, Two, Button Your Shoe—Fox-Trot; Pennies From Heaven—Fox-Trot (both from film 'Pennies From Heaven')...Jack Hylton and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Vocal—You Look So Sweet, Madame (film 'The Beloved Vagabond'); Tziga Doodle-Day (film 'The Beloved Vagabond')...Maurice Chevalier (Baritone) with Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Chase The Blues Away; I May Be Wrong—Fox-Trot...Chick Webb and His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Vocal—Lonesome Love-Sick Blues (Williams); I Love Dancing (Williams)....Josephine Baker with two pianos; Dance Orchestra—Wanderers—Fox-Trot; Easter Morning—Fox-Trot....Casani Club Orchestra directed by Charlie Kunz. With vocal refrain; Humorous Sketch—Sandy Goes Courting.....Sandy Powell and Company; Dance Orchestra—Dreams In Spring—Tango; The Tango Of My Heart—Tango....Robert Renard Dance Orchestra; Vocal and Piano—A Little Rendezvous In Honolulu (Burke); Hypnotized (Lewis)....Turner Layton; Dance Orchestra—Be Careful, Young Lady—Fox-Trot (film 'All the King's Horses'); A Little White Gardenia—Fox-Trot (film 'All the King's Horses')....Art Kassel and His Kassels-In-The-Air with Vocal Chorus; Vocal—When The Gipsy Played ('Glamorous Night'—Novello)....Mary Ellis (Soprano) acc. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Terance Casey at the Organ.

The Irish Organist—Medley (arr. Casey); In A Clock Store (Orth); Parade Of The Weddings (arr. Casey); Wedding Of The Parades (arr. Casey).

7.20 London Relay—'Steamboat'.

A programme of variety, music, and drama from our floating play-house, reviving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days; The Cast will Include; Dick Francis as The Showman; Lorna Stuart; Brian Lawrance; Jack Train; and The Three In Harmony; The Orchestra (led by Josef Marais); Conducted by Jack Clarke; The programme devised by Adrian Thomas and presented by William MacLurg

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Request Programme.

Under The Double Eagle—March...The Band Of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram; When I Grow Too Old To Dream (from 'The Night is Young')....Irene Dunne (Soprano) with Orchestra; Goodnight Vienna (from the film)...Len Fillis (Hawaiian Guitar) with Orchestra; When Irish Eyes Are Smiling (Ball).....Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orchestra; Little Lady Make Believe—Fox-Trot Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; "Give Me A Ring"—A Couple Of Fools In Love (John and Broones) Margaret Bannerman (Soprano) with Martin Broones at the Piano; Here Comes The Bride—Slow Fox-Trot....The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus; Susanna From Alabama (Ted and Ezra)....The Hill Billies with Novelty Accompaniment; Rosetta (Hines and Woode)...Len Fillis and His Orchestra; You're As Pretty As A Picture (film 'That Certain Age'); My Own (film 'That Certain Age')....Henry King and His Orchestra; A Gipsy Told Me

"Steamboat" and Other London Relays

REQUEST PROGRAMME

—Fox-Trot (film 'Happy Landing')....Horace Heidt and His Alemite Brigadiers with Vocal Chorus; 'Firefly' Selection....Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony with Vocal Refrain; Someone To Care For Me (film 'Three Smart Girls').....Deanna Durban (Vocal).

8.50 London Relay—'London Log'.

9.00 Local Sport Results.

9.04 Request Programme Continued.

Senorita (film 'The Girl of the Golden West')...Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra cond. by Leonard Joy; With Sword And Lance—March (Starke)....Reginald Dixon (Organ); Thanks For The Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1933')....Dorothy Lamour (Vocal) with Orchestra; This Year's Kisses—Fox-Trot (film 'On the Avenue')....Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Hawaii Calls (from the film).....Bobby Breen (Roy Soprano) with Orchestra and Chorus; The Lambeth Walk (from 'Me and My Girl')....Lupino Lane with Teddie St. Denis And Company. Orchestra conducted by George Windeatt; Goodnight Angel (film 'Radio City Revels')....Hildegarde (Vocal) with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) Flammata; (b) Fatalita; (c) Quieremo Mucho; (c) Chavaliyo.

10.05 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

10.10 (a) It's Wonderful; (b) Margie; (c) Please be kind; (d) Dark town Strutters Ball.

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10.35 (a) Love you; (b) Four Hours Half Moon on the Hudson; (d) Sensation.

10.50 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.00 (a) Artist's Life; (b) Sylvia; (d) Coco l'Asticot; (d) Celito Lindo.

11.15 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.20 (a) Moments like this; (b) Gee! But you're Swell; (c) I'd fall in love with you every day; (d) A-Tisket A-Tasket.

11.35 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.45 (a) My Own; (b) Happy Birthday to you; (c) Change Partners; (d) The Yam.

12 Midnight. Close Down.

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12.15 Compositions of Richard Strauss including his "Burleske."

Burleske....Elly Ney (Piano) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. W. Van Hoogstraten; "Der Rosenkavalier"—Herr Kavalier (Letter Scene and Waltz)....A. Kipnis (Bass) and E. Ruziczka (Mezzo-Soprano) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Erich Orthmann; "Der Rosenkavalier"—Heut' Oder Morgen; Marie Theres'!....L. Lehmann (Soprano), E. Schumann (Soprano) and M. Olszewska (Contralto) with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Professor Robert Heger; Salome's Dance (from 'Salome')....The Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Richard Strauss.

12.48 Cortot at the Piano.

"The Children's Corner" Suite (Debussy).

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.01 Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) and the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

Stradella—Overture (van Flotow-arr. Balfour)....Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra cond. by Sir Dan Godfrey; I See A Tree (Hodges); There'll Be No South (Schertzinger)....Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra; Dancer Of Seville (Grunow); The Two Imps (K. J. Alford)....Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra; The Shepherd Boy's Song, (Pepper); A Song For You And Me (Rizzi)....Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Dvorak—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 95 "The New World."

The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

2.18 Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

Ever softer grows my slumber (Brahms); Lullaby, Op. 49, No. 4 (Brahms)....with Orchestra.

2.30 Close down.

7.0 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Melody In F, Op. 3, No. 1 (Rubinstein); Romance In E Flat, Op. 44, No. 1 (Rubinstein); Spanish Dance, No. 1 (Moszkowsky); Spanish Serenade (Bizet); The Mill In The Forest (Ellenberg); Monastery Bells (Wely).

7.20 London Relay—'Detectives In Fiction'—6:

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8.0 Time and Weather.

8.03 Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) in a Concert of Eric Coates Compositions.

The Jester At The Wedding; (a) March; (b) Valse....Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra; Four Ways Suite; No. 1—Northwards (March); No. 2—Southwards (Valse); No. 3—Eastwards (Eastern Dance); No. 4—Westwards (Rhythm); London Bridge March....New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; Stars And A Crescent Moon; A House Love Made For You And Me....Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) with 'Cello, Oboe and Piano; Bird Songs at Eventide.... Albert Sandler & His Orch.: Because I Miss You So....Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) with Piano.

9.40 Excerpts from Mozart's "Don Giovanni."

Overture....Glyndebourne Festival Opera Company cond. by Fritz Busch; Introduction Act 1—Notte E Giorno Faticar....Baccaloni and Glyndebourne Festival Opera Company cond. by Fritz Busch; Recitativo Act 1—Don Giovannii Sei Qui? Aria Act 1—Madaminal....Helletsgruber, Baccaloni and Brownlee; Aria Act 1—Ho Capito; Recitativo Act 1—Alfin Siam Liberati...Henderson, Brownlee and Mildmay; Fermati, Scellerato! Mi Par Ch'Oggi.... Helletsgruber, Mildway, Brownlee, Pataky and Souez.

9.0 Mozart—Symphony No. 29 In A Major.

Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

9.40 Mozart—Quartet In F Major, K. 590.

The Budapest String Quartet.

10.07 Cesar Franck—Chorale No. 3 In A Minor.

Guy Weitz, Hon. Organist to His Eminence, Cardinal Bourne, playing on the Organ of Westminster Cathedral, London.

10.20 Studio — Sunday Evening Epilogue.

10.30 Close down.

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Washington, Jan. 13.

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V. M. GRAYBURN, Chief Manager.

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D. Benson, Manager.

ALCATRAZ BREAK

Five Men Escape From Island Prison

San Francisco, Jan. 13.

Five prisoners escaped from Alcatraz Prison to-day. Two were recaptured but the others are still at large on the island.

Police and coastguard motor boats are patrolling waters about the island to prevent their escape and a dozen guardsmen are patrolling a one-mile stretch bordering the bay.

It is one of the foggiest mornings of the year and it is feared that the three men reached the water after surmounting the wall. The break occurred from a cell block.

The police believe that the three are still on the island.

The names of the escaped prisoners will not be divulged whether they are captured dead or alive.—*United Press.*

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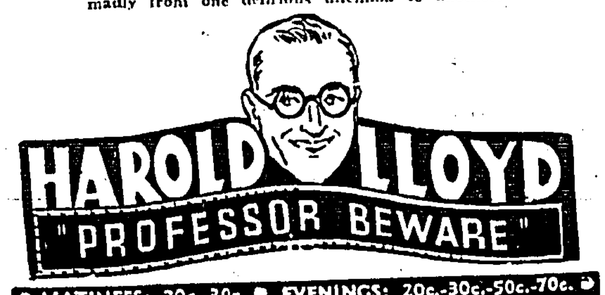
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AMERICAN PLANES

$8,500,000 Purchase By The Chinese

New York, Jan. 13.

A sensation has been caused here by the Washington dispatch to the *New York Herald Tribune* that a contract has been signed between the Chinese National Government and the Bellanca Aircraft Manufacturing Company for selling $8,500,000 worth of aircraft to China.

The paper reports that 200 bombing planes, each equipped with five machine-guns and capable of carrying seven 300-pound bombs, will be handed over to the Chinese during March.

A lawyer attached to the American aircraft company to-day admitted that negotiations for the contract are in progress, but he denied that the contract has already been signed.

He added that the Chinese representatives accepted the proposals from the Bellanca company on August 9, last year, subject to approval by their home Government. Conclusion of the contract, however, was not completed in a specified period, the lawyer indicated.—*Domei.*

Washington Disclosure

Washington, Jan. 13.

The Secretary of Registration has revealed details of the Bellanca contract to ship planes to China, providing for delivery of the planes within nine months. Ten planes are to be deliverable sixty days from receipt of the contract letter of credit and payment of deposit. Thereafter the Company agrees to deliver not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty planes monthly, the prices being governed by the condition of the purchase of two hundred planes, with the payments going higher if the Chinese buy a smaller number.

It is authoritively stated that the proceeds of the sales of planes to China, amounting to $8,320,000, will be utilized to expand the Bellanca Company's facilities for mass production of military planes. It is understood to be a cash transaction payable in Chinese silver—unconnected with the recent U.S. $25,000,000 credit the Export and Import Bank granted to Chinese interests.

The Chinese Ambassador, through friends, issued an explanation regarding the Bellanca contract, and declared that "the arrangement was to give China an option on the delivery of planes, but the option has so far not been exercised.—*United Press.*

ARAB CHIEF QUITS

Abdul Rahim Gives Up Rebel Leadership

Jerusalem, Jan. 13.

Abdul Rahim has arrived at Damascus, having abandoned supreme leadership of the Palestine revolt. It is stated that Rahim is dissatisfied with the methods prescribed by the Mufti for violently exterminating the opposition among the Arabs themselves.

Other reasons given for his departure from Palestine are the more stringent military pressure, scarcity of funds for ammunition and his inability to co-operate with Abdul Razzik.

This indicates that the rebellion has lost much of its patriotic and spiritual aspect.—Reuter.

TRADE OBSTACLES

Japan Hinders Britain On China Coast

London, Jan. 13.

The *Daily Mail* principal page today features a description by its Tientsin correspondent of a voyage along the China coast ports, showing how the Japanese are placing every obstacle in the way of British commerce and stressing foreign business opinion in North China that unless the British Government finds means to abate this unfair pressure, British trade in China will cease to exist.

Reuter understands that the Japanese are not taking official notice at present of the recent newspaper reports in Britain urging active measures in defence of British trade and the open door, but will await something more definite.

With reference to the report that the Japanese intend to ban the circulation in North China of all notes except those of the Federal Reserve Banks in March, no official confirmation is obtainable in Japanese circles in London. There is certainly one section of Japanese opinion which holds that no attempt should be made to crystallise China currency problems while the hostilities continue.—*Reuter.*

COMMODORE LEAVING

Commodore E. B. C. Dicken was referred to at the annual dinner of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force yesterday as leaving the Colony shortly. The Commodore came to Hongkong early in 1937, and his term of service in this post expires in spring this year.

LATE NEWS

THEFTS FROM EUROPEANS

Four Europeans reported thefts and losses to the police yesterday. Mr. F. Logan of Repulse Bay Hotel either lost, or had stolen from him a purse containing $40 between the Hongkong Hotel and Wyndham Street.

Mrs. Cox of The Peak had her car stolen from a car park near the Star Ferry yesterday.

Mr. Bowen of Sai Wan Terrace had a coffee pot and clothing stolen from the coolie quarters at his residence.

Mr. V. Tessar of the Canadian Trading Company, Laichikok had a paint sprayer stolen from his premises.

Additionally, it is reported that Lai Wa-ying, married woman of Hill Road, had eight pieces of jewelry, valued at $863 stolen from one of the rooms in her house, when somebody broke into the premises yesterday.

$80 FINE FOR NAVAL OFFICER

Lieut.-Commander H. Caddy of H.M.S. Kent, was fined $80 for two motoring offences, when he appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Charged with driving a car in Saikung Road on January 10 without a licence, he was fined $5, and for dangerous driving on the same occasion he was fined $75.

OPIUM CASE APPEAL

Sequel to Arrest of Six Men in Sampan

An appeal against conviction on two charges of unlawful possession of opium, brought by Yip Shiu-ng and Foo Kan, was allowed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Appeal Court yesterday.

Appellants had each been fined $6,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour, by Mr. R. Edwards, Magistrate, on charges of unlawful possession of 1,120 taels of opium.

They were represented by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, was for the respondent, Revenue Officer J. L. Stephens.

Mr. Fitzroy said his clients were charged together with four other persons, and the sole question was whether or not there was sufficient evidence to justify the conviction. The evidence was that the six men were rowing a boat towards Kennedy Town when a Revenue Office launch came alongside. The appellants were in the bow, and, as soon as the officers jumped on board, someone dumped something overboard, which was later admitted by one of them to be opium.

The case for the appellants, went on Counsel, was that both of them were simply rowing the boat and had no possible control of the opium either physically or in any way at all. Their story was that they were hired to row the boat for fifty cents, and the man who engaged them had taken all the responsibility. There was no evidence at all that his clients were in possession of the opium.

Counsel concluded by submitting that their story had raised considerable doubt as to their guilt, and once this had been raised the appellants were entitled to that doubt.

Reasonable Inference

Mr. Whyatt contended that the only reasonable inference which could be drawn from the evidence was that this was a joint venture, because of the following suspicious circumstances: (1) a small sampan with six people on board was proceeding towards West Point without lights and at 2 o'clock in the morning; and (2) the cargo carried was of the most unusual type—four gunny sacks tied together with ropes and with three weights attached.

Another point was that when one of the men on the boat, on being questioned, said that what they had dumped overboard was opium, none of the others expressed surprise, and therefore it was reasonable to infer they all knew the cargo was illicit. There was no distinction to enable the Court to say the venture was not a joint one; they were in every sense of the term "in the same boat."

Allowing the appeal, his Lordship said that in view of the fact that the appellants had been consistently represented by all the witnesses, who could speak on the point, as being in the bow with their backs to what was going on, he was satisfied there was a reasonable doubt as to their guilt.

The sentences on the appellants were ordered to be quashed, and the men discharged.

"MIKADO" ON SCREEN

Duke and Duchess of Kent At Premiere

London, Jan. 13.

The Duke and Duchess of Kent yesterday saw the first showing of "The Mikado," the first of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas to be filmed.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

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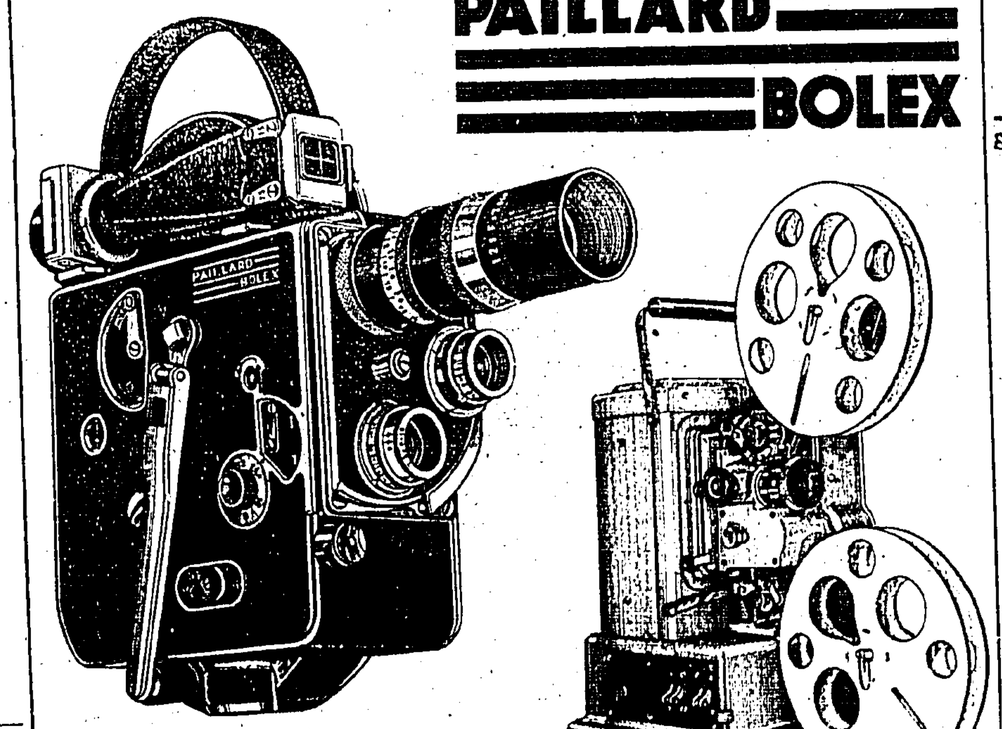
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